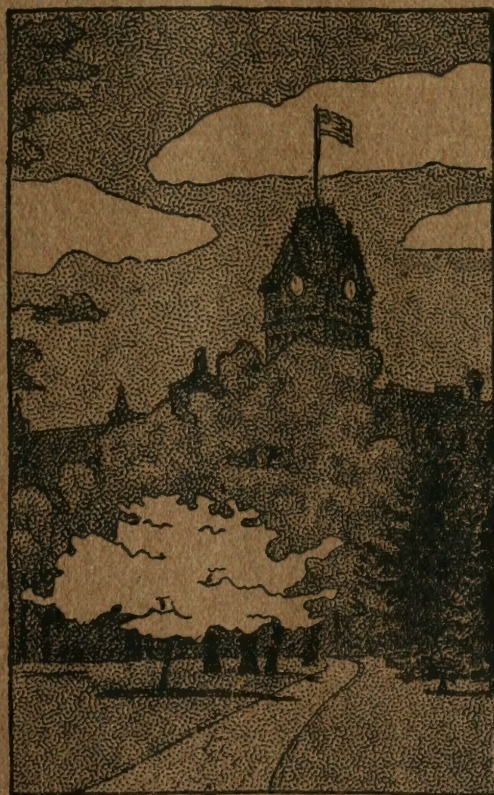


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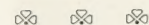
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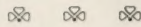
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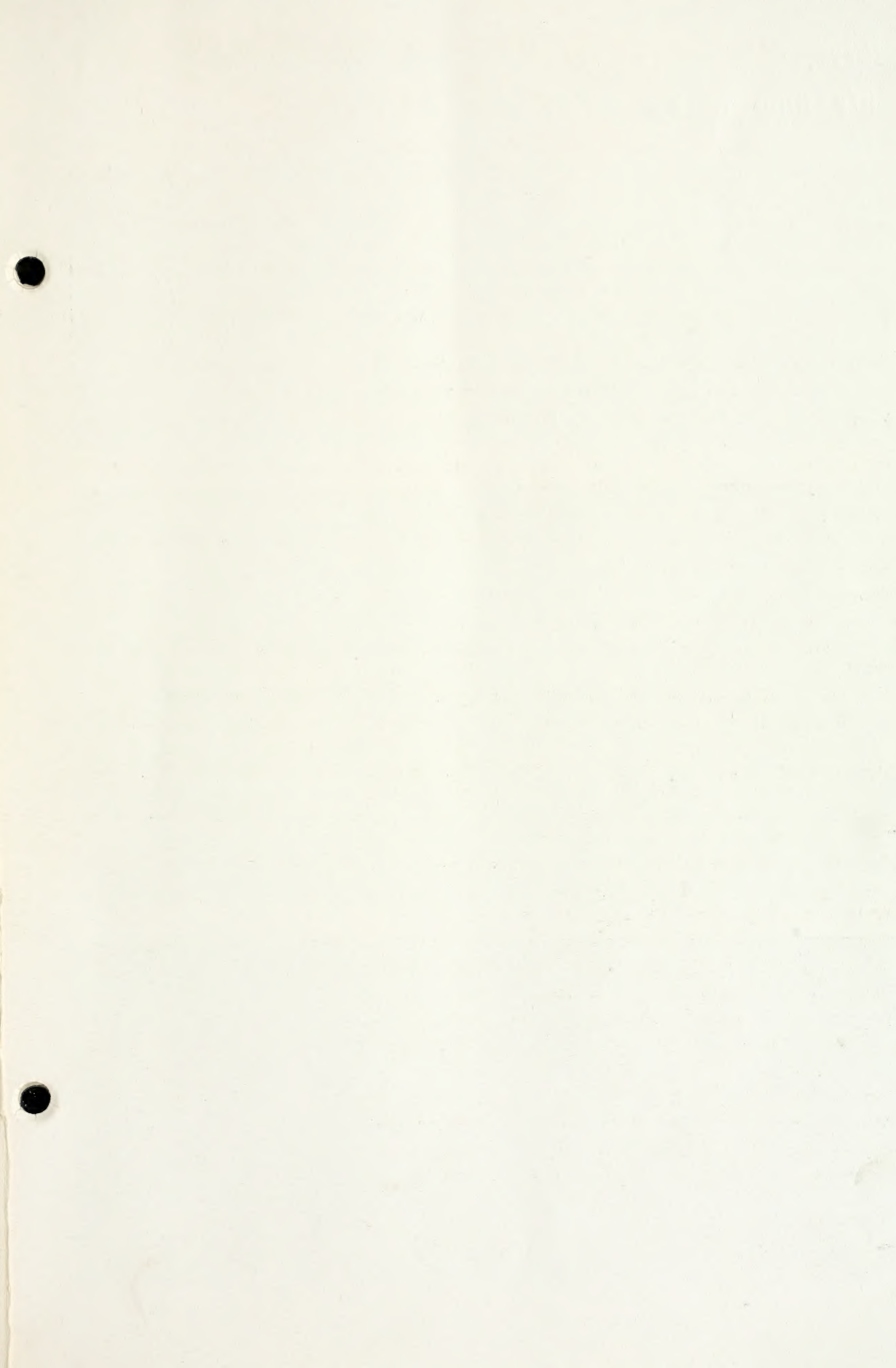


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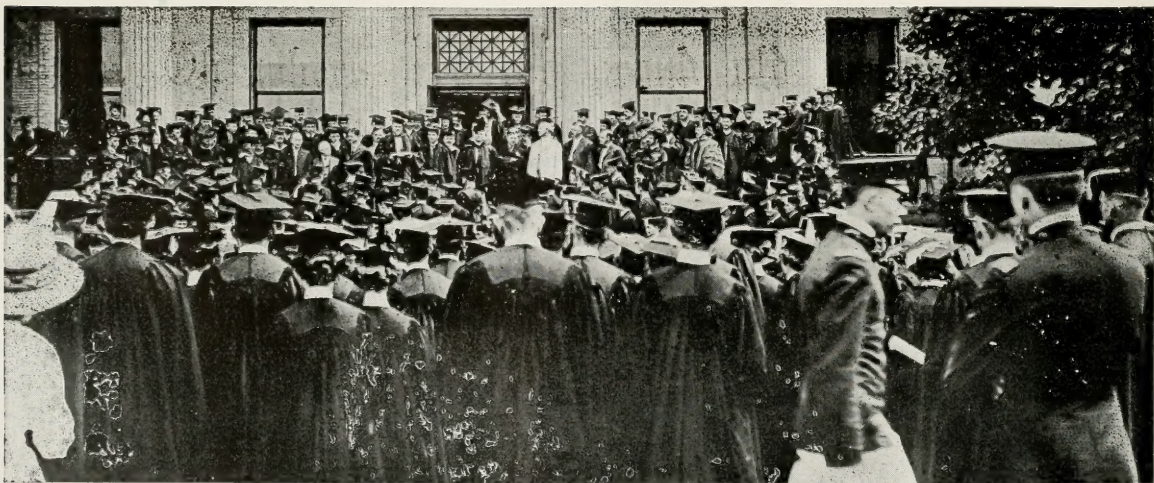
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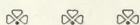


Where, Oh where, are the grand old seniors?
Safe now in the wide, wide world.



OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY MONTHLY

Commencement Week at the University



UNDER A BEAMING noonday sky, five hundred and more Seniors in cap and gown, this year's graduates of Ohio State University, stood massed before the steps of Page Hall following commencement exercises that forged the concluding link in the chain of college days, there to hear the concluding words of cheer and counsel from President Thompson. Grouped upon the steps were the trustees and members of the faculty, who had come in academic procession from the Armory, marching through two black lines of garbed graduates. It was an impressive picture; to many a sad one.

President Thompson took occasion to introduce Halbert E. Payne of the class of '87, the new alumni president and representative of his class in the commencement exercises, who spoke briefly of the claims of the Association upon outgoing

graduates and of plans for the future. In a few warm words of farewell the President wished the class Godspeed. And then with bared heads seniors, alumni, faculty, trustees and friends, reverently sang the words of Carmen Ohio. There was a moment's deep silence and then the bugles shrilled clarion-clear from across a field of green. "The call to service, my friends, God bless you," concluded the President—and the Seniors had entered upon the larger life of the world.

In its entirety the thirty-fifth annual commencement of the University was a noteworthy event. In point of number of graduates it far exceeded any previous commencement; it marked a jubilee reunion of one of its staunchest classes—the class of '87—called back to renew old allegiances; it brought several innovations that added materially to the greater enjoyment of graduation week.



The Baccalaureate Sermon

The program of the week began with baccalaureate Sunday. The Armory—a soft harmony of blue and white bunting—decked with a green canopy of leafy vines, was filled with an expectant throng of commencement visitors. At 3:30 o'clock the vibrant notes of "Holy, Holy, Holy" announced the entrance of the University Glee Club, marching slowly two by two in flowing gowns that for these many years have symbolized things collegiate and ecclesiastic. The vested choristers were followed by Dr. W. O. Thompson, the president of the University and preacher for the day. Then came the Seniors in double file to take their seats in the center of the auditorium.

The text for Dr. Thompson's sermon to the graduating class was "The Responsibilities and Per-

ils of an Educated Man," a theme suggested by Moses' choice in forswearing the throne of Egypt to take the leadership of the Israelites. Dr. Thompson characterized the choice of the educated man as one that includes justice, truth and humanity.

Dr. Thompson said in part:

"I assume that in making a choice of an education, all people are deliberate; that they have decided not to remain in Egypt; that they have considered their willingness to endure hardness and to suffer affliction and reproach; that in seeking the higher education they have decided to abandon the lower for the higher life; that they have cast their eyes forward looking to the recompense of reward, deliberately giving hostages to the pleasures of Egypt in order that they may satisfy

themselves in a life of toil and service unselfishly given for the good of humanity.

"If, on the other hand, the choice of an education has been made without thought or consideration; if no wise counsel has been taken or obeyed; if no consideration has been given to the interests involved, there is the most positive proof of rashness and foolhardiness. Such persons have left to the whims of fortune interests that once abandoned may never be recovered. Let me be somewhat specific.

"First, I call to your attention the responsibility and peril of person. By this I mean of course the peril of character. To start upon an educational career is to burn our bridges behind us. Like Moses, we can no longer be Egyptians even by adoption. A year at college makes it impossible for us to return to the plane of the uneducated from which we started without positive disgrace.

"Passing now to a second general consideration, I wish to call attention to the responsibility and the peril of the place you occupy as educated people. By our own volition we have left the plane of the uneducated and stepped upon the platform among the educated men and women of the world. The right of trial by a jury of our peers is as sacred here as elsewhere. In the last analysis, the educated world will take your measure and fix your status. The popular verdict in a democracy may have some value or it may not. That is a question of fact not always to be settled by a majority vote. Your peers in the educated world will be the final court of appeal. They may be too polite to annoy you with publishing your defects, but they will also be too honest to promote you for lack of approval.

"No university diploma, no degree that we can confer will long deceive. Let me remind you, however, that you have made formal application for entrance. Egypt lies behind you. Yonder lies Canaan. That must be your home; else your bones will whiten in disgrace upon the wastes of the wilderness.

"The responsibilities of places may not be overlooked. From this time on you are by assumption a part of the educated world. Act the part. Assume the responsibility. Face the peril. Meet the issues with the faith of a Moses who endured as seeing Him who is invisible.

"In a third general consideration let me call your attention to the responsibility of the educated man or woman for the use of power. A college education should more than quadruple one's power. Education may be translated in terms of power, efficiency and skill.

"For a young man or woman in the light of the twentieth century to come through college less strong physically than at the beginning is to say the least unfortunate. In some cases it is highly immoral and may be criminal. A body, sound, full of health and clean is an engine of power, a most important equipment in the work of the world.

"Let me, as a closing counsel, point out the importance of a right attitude to the world in which we are to serve. Of Moses it is said—by faith, he refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter. Of Joseph—by faith, he gave commandment concerning his bones. This long chapter of the heroes of faith has one great lesson. Not a faint-hearted, doubting man or woman was among them. Indeed, the whole issue is here. Doubt never built a bridge, tunneled a river, cabled an ocean, wrote a poem, built a world or developed a character.

"Too many people have accepted as a matter of course that certain economic, social and moral ills must be. They tell us the work of saving a world is hopeless. They have missed the whole issue. You will never be saved except in helping to save somebody else. That means faith and faith means victory, for has it not been well written? 'This is the victory over the world, even our faith.'

"My appeal then is for a generation of educated men and women, who, undergirded by an unswerving faith in God, in the power of truth and in the permanence of righteousness will lay hold of the great problems of their day and be leaders in the causes that stand for justice, for truth and for humanity.

"My friends, if you, like Moses, refuse to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter and deliberately cast your lot with your spiritual inheritances, there may be, nay, there will be, reproach and affliction. There is a recompense of reward. He that loseth his life shall save it. The moments and the years are yours, but the centuries and the eternities are God's. Keep the faith. Be true to yourself, to your spiritual inheritance as seen in your family and your people; be true to your country and serve your generation with gladness and above all be true to God to whom you owe all things."



The sermon was a sympathetic discussion of problems ingrained in student life and a trumpet-call to the making of a character stamped by moral courage and honesty of heart.

The President and the Glee Club led the recessional, singing "Onward, Christian Soldiers."



Class Day Ceremonies

Monday belonged to the Seniors. It was their class day, their hour of retrospects and dreams. When the dew still lay upon the grass, a sprig of ivy was planted at Ohio Union and a prophecy made that in time it will mantle the red walls and keep green the memory of 1912. Phil Sheridan Bradford wielded the spade and delivered the oration. The class breakfast followed. Literary exercises were held in the Armory at nine o'clock. The only disappointment of the morning was the ab-

sence of Elwood Holman, class orator, who was unable to appear because of illness. The president's address was delivered by I. N. Jenkins; the poem and prophecy were read by Helen K. Little and Mina Rowe; the history of the class related by Frances Frost and the pipe of peace started a-smoking by Robert J. Watson, who spoke of the significance of the custom. Leonard Harvey presented the class mantle to the new library.

Events of Alumni Day

DORMITORIES AND A WOMAN'S building were given an impetus at the meeting of the alumni of Ohio State on Tuesday of commencement week. The project of building a block of men's quarters by incorporation of the alumni as shareholders, a plan first suggested by the new president of the Association, H. E. Payne, received hearty endorsement and substantial financial support. Miss Olive B. Jones, '87, who has been one of the earnest advocates of a dean for women and a woman's building at the University, reported that funds were now available, through action of the emergency board, for the coming of such a dean next year. The report was received with a burst of applause. Before this issue of the Monthly reaches the alumni the choice of the woman to fill the newly-created position will probably be made. The alumni also instructed a committee to prepare resolutions endorsing the proposed woman's building, asking legislative support this winter.

Reports were made by Prof. G. W. Rightmire of the board of trustees of Ohio Union, by Prof. T. E. French, who has had charge of alumni memorials, by Secretary H. S. Warwick and by Treasurer Karl T. Webber. All reports were adopted. A motion made by Prof. C. W. Foulk that ballots hereafter be sent to a clerk for counting was carried. Votes of thanks were given Miss Edith D. Cockins for efficient service as secretary pro tem and for her work in compiling Who's Who, and to Ralph D. Mershon, the retiring president.

When the ballots were counted by a committee that worked long and faithfully, the results were found as follows (those elected in black type):

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M M

Halbert E. Payne, the new president, was graduated from Ohio State University in Mechanical Engineering in 1887 after having received a preparatory education at Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri. Since his college days he has spent most of his time in perfecting and patenting typewriters and is at present president of the American Typewriter Co. His work has also included the introduction of machines in many foreign countries. He is a member of the Ohio Society of New York, Ohio State University Asso-

ciation of New York, New York Alumni, Phi Kappa Psi, manager and director Sunshine Mission and director Postal Life Insurance Co.

Mr. Payne was appointed delegate from Ohio State at the inauguration of Chancellor Brown of New York University, is a member of the Board of Visitors and was chairman of the committee of First Patriarchs' Reunion. He was born at Pittsfield, Pa., September 21, 1865, and was married to Grace G. Wright, October 28, 1896.

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The Necrology report for the year 1911-12 is as follows:

Burr R. Harris, Ex-Student '79. Date unknown.
Augustus C. Mills, Ex '81. Date unknown.
Otto Negelspach, Ex '84. Date unknown.
John W. Mills, Ex '85. Date unknown.
James J. Burns, Ph. D. Hon. '87. Died January 10, 1912.

Edgar Woods Mix, B. Sc. '88. Died on board steamer in English Channel, November 12, 1911.

Orange Markey, Ex '88. Date unknown.
Harry R. Hall, E. M. '89. Died in German Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 16, 1911.

Albert N. Ozias, B. Sc. '89. Died at Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 17, 1912.

Samuel Vernon Pepple, B. Sc. in Chem. '99. Died August 20, 1911, at his home Leetonia, Ohio.

Charles J. Naddy, P. '99, according to Prof. C. A. Dye, died some two or three years ago.

Royal G. Gardner, Ex '00. Date unknown.
Nile Otis Sinclair Ford, E. M. '01. Died enroute from New York to Mexico, October, 1911.

Albert Newton Irwin, D. V. M. '01. Died September 4, 1911, at Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Frederick Herman Schoedinger, L. L. B. '02. Died July, 1911.

Julia P. Benson, Ex. '02. Date unknown.
Frank I. Gardner, Ex '02. Date unknown.

George W. Ogden, D. V. M. '04. Died July 9, 1911, at Nelsonville, Ohio. (Overcome by the heat.)

Edith H. Sands, B. A. '07. Died December 3, 1911.

Mrs. Charles B. Pyle, (Ethel E. Bowman), Ex '06. Died at her home in Columbus, February 2, 1912.

*Eugene R. Augspurger, B. A. '06, died at his home, Middletown, Ohio, April 25, 1912; President of the Class of 1906.

Ruth Ella Postle, B. A. '08, B. Sc '09. Died August 29, 1911.

John Miles Ogan, Cer. E. '10. Died at Auburn, Washington, May 11, 1912.



The Luncheon

THE ALUMNI LUNCHEON at noon of Tuesday could not accommodate all its members. The Ohio Union seated something over two hundred, its full capacity; but there were populous overflows, not to say rump conventions, that ate at near-by restaurants and returned for the speeches. The University has many increasingly complex problems in the conduct of its commence-

ment week, and here is one that demands instant solution; we shall have more and more of the Alumni; and they must have seats in their own house and plates at their own dinner-table.

The occasion was of great good humor. It was neither hoped nor attempted to reproduce that famous wonderful dinner of last year; we had not so great an attendance of the early classes, the "Patriarchs," to make such a thing possible. But this year's dinner had its own gayety no less. The "gallery" is really by now a permanent institution, fittingly American; and it is really in itself good, for we have known many men of quiet and modest discourse in public spurred to fiery eloquence by a few insulting remarks, or by the Glee Club's sudden gratuitous singing of "Your trolley's off, you dear old man." The presence of the Glee Club, by the way, was enough to make this dinner the first of a new series. We must never again have a commencement without the Glee Club.

The retiring editor of the Quarterly was toast-master, which will explain the foregoing remarks about the "gallery." Governor Harmon was present, and enjoyed both the fare and the fun; and he proved what we had heard of him, he held easy mastery over that Roman mob of interrupters. All the speeches, even Ed Payne's, were as impromptu as the songs and yells; and President Thompson really closed the year in that kindly and foreseeing talk that was in turn closed by the Carmen.

J. R. T., '87.



The Alumni Reception

When the class of '87, a band of young patriachs, came romping and volleying into the staid precincts of the Armory Tuesday night, the reception tendered by the University to the old grads, faculty, trustees and friends, gave evidence of giving way to a glad tournament of enthusiasm. No University reception in recent years has been gayer or more largely attended. Twinkling lights, happy strings, beautiful decorations wove a spell of enchantment.

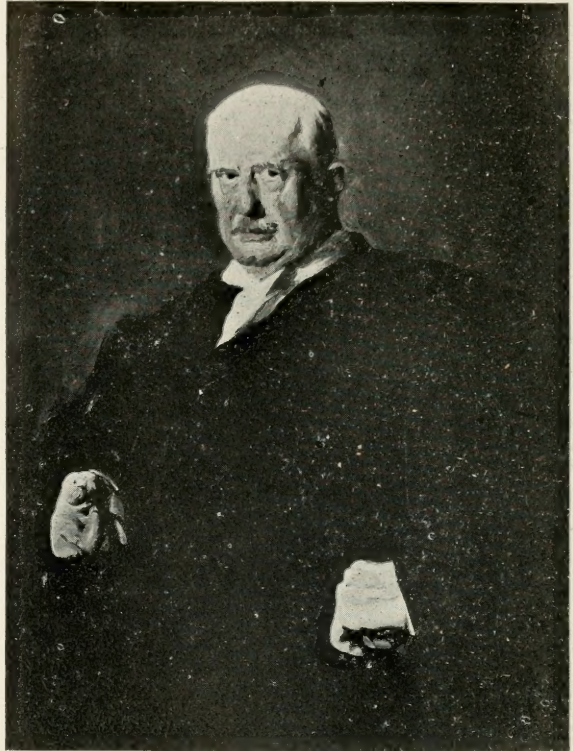
The Armory presented a scene of much attractiveness. Half hidden among the rich green leaves that festooned the girders overhead hung clusters of grapes in the natural colors in which were concealed small electric light bulbs. This softly-blending illumination proved artistically effective. A fountain with running water occupied the center of the floor and the water played upon vines and delicate ferns and other greenery which fringed the edge of the enclosure. Palms were grouped about the sides of the spacious hall. Tables were decorated with white carnations. In the receiving line with President and Mrs. Thompson were Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Mallon of Cincinnati, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pomerene of Coshocton, Mr. Ralph Mershon and Mr. Halbert Payne of New York.

The assisting hostesses were Mesdames Walter J. Sears, Julius F. Stone, W. H. Siebert, Charles M. Wing, Fonsa A. Lambert, William L. Evans, J. A. Bownocker, Mrs. Arthur McCall, Mrs. Carl E. Steeb, Miss Josephine Matthews and Miss Catherine Creamer.

The Bellows Portrait of President Scott

THE PORTRAIT OF Walter Quincy Scott, second President of the University, painted by George Bellows, A. N. A., came to the University on Alumni Day, and was immediately hung in the Ohio Union. Wished for and welcome as it was, it caught us unaware; we had not hoped for it yet; and there was no opportunity to greet it with any fitting notice or ceremony. What should be known by the whole University is that now we have the third of that series of portraits, already notable, of our presidents, and that we have also a noble new painting.

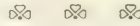
One wishes that we could call it the Alumni portrait of Dr. Scott; but that is not quite true, or not true yet. It is really only because of his generous loyalty to his own University that Mr. Bellows took the opportunity to paint the por-



trait; a thing for us to be eternally thankful for, because opportunity waits for no man; and it is now due to the honor of the Alumni, of the University itself, to see that the painter is paid. The most distinguished member of the University in the arts, let it not be said of him that a prophet is without honor in his own country. This portrait is a treasure independently of the historical value, the priceless memory, it represents to us; and when every important exhibition of American paintings, at home or abroad, contains a George Bellows, and when we are hearing from great places beyond the University that he is the most American, the most representative, the most robust and fearless of our young painters, it should not be said of his University that it received coldly a painting by him, nor that we have delayed the

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The Silver Jubilee of the Class of '87



THE SILVER ANNIVERSARY of the Class of '87 was really celebrated on Monday afternoon of Commencement week, when all the returning prodigals met under the trees at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William McPherson in Sixteenth Avenue, and then, bless you, what a gripping of hands, what a hallooing of old familiar nicknames, what a rocking chorus of high laughter! It was a boys' and girls' birthday party—and everybody was foolishly young again and the dim years were as scattered leaves under romping feet. And did they recite twice-remembered tales of the old dorm and of stern professors, and did they chafe each other mercilessly on a vast variety of things that have happened in the days that intervene, well, ask anybody and everybody of the class of '87. The affair was under the direction of Miss Olive Jones, Halbert E. Payne and J. S. Myers, though, of course, such pretentious, grown-up names were not permitted at the reunion festivities. It was Joe this, and Ed that, and Frank and Charley and Bob.

The campus members of the class in attendance were Miss Olive Jones, Miss Freda Detmers, J. R. Taylor, B. A. Eisenlohr, William McPherson, Frank Ray and W. H. Siebert, a former member who was graduated just a year later. Other members present were Robert Hazlett, postmaster at Wheeling, W. Va.; J. S. Myers, editor Pittsburgh Post; Vernon J. Emery, pastor Congregational Church, Columbus, Wis.; Halbert E. Payne, President American Typewriter Co., New York; Pendleton H. Converse, contracting engineer, Boston, Mass.; Wilby G. Hyde, attorney-at-law, Chillicothe, Ohio; Miss Annie Mullay, teacher in Chicago schools, and Charles H. Krieger, traveling salesman, Columbus, Ohio. Former members of the class,—Joseph Firestone, W. O. Scheibell, Amor Sharp, Miss Lizzie Hughes, J. R. McLaughlin—also responded to the reunion invitation.

Such a gay assemblage would in itself prevent a loitering of the hours, but add to it the presence of professors who taught the class many of the finest things they know—and these did not all come from books, mind you—and the circle of pleasant yesterdays is full-rounded. So here, also, were Sidney A. Norton, Emeritus Professor of Chemistry; Albert H. Tuttle, Professor of Biology in the University of Virginia; Josiah R. Smith, Professor of Greek; George W. Knight, Professor of American History; George B. Kaufman, Dean of the College of Pharmacy; Samuel C. Derby, Professor of Latin; George W. McCoard, Professor of Mathematics, all of Ohio State, and Miss Alice K. Williams of Urbana, Ohio, Instructor in Modern Languages when the class was graduated a quarter of a century ago. Mrs. W. O. Thompson, Mrs. Josiah R. Smith, Mrs. George W. Knight and Mrs. George B. Kaufman presided at the tables and were assisted by several of the children of the members of the class.

And now for Alumni Day and the class dinners. Really, what bard can sing it?.....When the class came laughing and tumbling into the dining room

at Ohio Union each and all caught their breath in wonderment. There upon the white stretch of table-linen gleamed a splendid birthday cake, each of the twenty-five candles flaming the story of a year. The cake and its illuminations was a happy thought of Mrs. J. R. Taylor, '91-'95. So around the beacon of other days sat the goodly class of '87, while courses came and words flew and laughter tinkled in the glass. After the dinner, experiences were recited. Converse related his adventures in a Massachusetts legislature, Payne and Hazlett gave accounts of boys' clubs they had organized in the slum districts, Emery spoke from the vantage ground of a pastor and Hyde from that of a lawyer. Night letters were sent to all the absent members of the class, and a greeting, signed by all present, despatched to W. H. Han-num, '87, a missionary in India.

Photographs of all the members of the class taken in '87 were thrown on the wall with a reflectoscope—calling forth uproarious applause and comment, some complimentary. A gallery of these youthful presentments is reproduced on another page. The class elected Robert Hazlett president and Olive Jones secretary for the ensuing five years, when '87 will meet again for their thirtieth birthday party. Payne, the new alumni president, was commissioned by his classmates to represent them at the commencement exercises, a new custom at Ohio State. Following the observance of a number of other universities, Ohio State will lay special stress on the twenty-fifth and fiftieth reunions in the future. Committees were appointed to consider the matter of adding to the '87 alcove in the library and to send felicitations to the instructors of the class.

Interesting letters from old members of the class—some absent ones—and from the professors of twenty-five years ago, were read. These struck many a responsive cord. They were all different, individual, all touched with a personality and a mood, yet each letter in some way beckoned lag-gard thoughts back to campus comrades and classroom. Busy lives, happiness in work, political creeds, ambitions, joys, regrets—and a dozen other things—are reflected in these rambling notes. The list of writers includes J. S. Myers, Pittsburgh; C. H. Krieger, Columbus, Ohio; Henry Woodworth, Lakewood, Ohio; P. H. Converse, Boston; William F. Hunt, St. Paul, Minn; Robert Hazlett, Wheeling, W. Va.; U. H. Myers, Pittsburgh, William McPherson, Columbus; Olive Jones, Columbus; Freda Detmers, Columbus; H. E. Payne, New York; Daisy Scott, Columbus; Frank Ray, Columbus; V. G. Emery, Columbus, Wis.; W. F. Charters, Indianapolis; J. R. Taylor, Columbus; Annie Mullay, Chicago.

From the bundle of these intimate facts and reminiscences, selection has been made of three or four letters as best adapted to general publication. First let Charters twang his silver lyre—listen to his rhymic numbers:

Comrades of the class of '87
As they were in their student days



J. R. TAYLOR



M. A. FRANCIS



H. E. PAYNE



J. S. MYERS



F. A. RAY



WILBY HYDE



V. J. EMERY



H. J. WOODWORTH



ROBERT HAZLETT



U. H. MYERS



W. F. HUNT



W. H. HANNUM

"I'm jes' a' keepin' even; which is doin' purty good. I haven't made the fortune that I use to hope I would;
Haven't caused the trump of fame on distant hills to sound,
But kin' allus face the music when the landora comes around.
I've had my share of sunshine an' I seen the flow'ers smile,
I've had the rheumatiz, but only fer a little while,
An' when I come to quit this scene of hope and likewise doubt,
I'll hardly leave enough for the lawyer folks to fight about.
I've had my disappointments an' I've had my silent fears;
But I reckon that the laughs will easy balance with the tears.
It ain't a brilliant record, but I want it understood,
That I'm still a' keepin' even, which is doin' purty good."



Joseph Simmons Myers—Joe Myers in a dress suit, if you please—is forsooth a Pittsburgh editor (but disguises the fact) and between tempestuous political conventions yields to the subtle temptation to philosophize and grow retrospective. He's not so much of a prodigal as Emery and Krieger, who admit they haven't become habitual commencement seekers, nor so constant in his devotion as McPherson, who hasn't missed a graduation week at Ohio State in twenty years. But let Myers talk about '87 for himself:

"No one of us would give up his memories of years spent at Ohio State, even when he is compelled to admit wasted opportunities and might-have-beens. Who would give up his memories of his personal contact with Derby, or Smith, or Lord, or McFarland, or Tuttle, or Orton, or Norton, or Mendenhall, or Townshend, or Knight, or Lazenby, or Scott? Who would forget, if he could, Alcyone or Horton? Who does not recollect with pleasure incidents of the Big and Little Dorms, the little old library, the chemical lab, the baseball field, the tennis court, or the track? How many thrills we got out of the oratorical contests, the literary society debates! Perhaps we took all these things then as a matter of course, while we are looking forward to the commencement of the real things of life, but now they are our cherished treasures and, thank God, they can't be taken away from us.

"Eighty-seven was the largest class ever graduated up to its time, and we know that no greater class ever left Ohio State before or since. Twenty-five years! Think of it! Probably nine-tenths of the young men and women who received diplomas this year were not yet born when we got ours and yet we are not old. A thinning and graying of the hair do not mean anything of themselves as long as the heart and mind are right. So let no one say that '87 is old as long as its spirit is so young. We could lick '88 just as thoroughly today as we did a quarter of a century ago. Ed Payne and I could win another championship of tennis today as easily as we did twenty-five years ago.

"If I go on much longer you will all suspect my real purpose in writing this, which is to try to conceal how little I did either in College or out of it. Try as hard as I may I can't recall any great deeds done or any claims to distinction. I

had an awful time trying to make myself appear distinguished in Who's Who and failed. But like most people who have done nothing very good or very bad I have been quietly comfortable during these years.

"The big things I promised myself I would do are still undone, but perhaps the world will never know it. I am reminded of the day that I delivered my commencement oration. I left out two or three of the best paragraphs, but nobody seemed to miss them.

"But no matter how little I did in college or out of it, I yield to no one in pride of Ohio State and of '87. God bless them!"



It falls upon Joseph Russell Taylor—plain Joe to undergraduates these many years as well as to comrades of '87—to call back the pageant of youth-spun confidences and friendships and rare adventures that belong to those misty yesterdays. A quarter of a century! Pshaw! Listen, you children:

"This remembering is a queer business. There was our Freshman rush, for instance, or that grim battle with clubs when we were Juniors; well, I seem to see these things clearly apart from me, I seem to see myself in them as if it were another person. I wonder if anybody else of '87 has happened to see his boy in a fight on the way home from school, and has stopped for an unseen moment to watch. That's the way I see myself in these old riots. I fairly find myself shouting to my old self, my young self,—“Get in it, you unspeakable rookie! Are you going to let Fravel walk off with your stick? Are you going to let Aldrich call you a damned coward? Get in, get in, climb on Jumbo's neck!” And yet, all the while, it is myself also.

"They are as near as an old house in the next street, these old days; one can pass by, one can even go in, but one doesn't live there any more. It makes one really homesick to remember. Not, I think, not for any of us, with any desire to go back into the old years; we don't live there any more; we can't stay in that familiar and peaceless peace, the undergrad campus; a peace so stripped of yesterdays, a peace so bleak and bright, so vaguely cheerful, so kindly and so heartless; no, we would not stay there if we could, and none of us would actually wish to lessen and dwindle into his old self again. The touch of homesickness is for today. I am the more able to say this because I have not achieved what we call great success; my own today is a very modest affair; yet so it seems, no doubt, to each of us. But who were we that went down to the river to 'practice' our commencement orations,—Charters, Hyde, weren't you there? Were you, Joe Myers? Well apart, mounted each upon a stump, we declaimed to the June twilight and the golden echo of the woodthrushes; I can see that too, I can see my own self with as much detached pride and fondness as I see the other fellows; absurd, charming, we who had the stuff, you know, to make the world over. Youth, youth! How did we ever get through it decently?

"Why, there's Hannum, saint and martyr in Hindustan: I saw him wilfully smash a man with a chair in old Alcyone; to be sure, the man deserved it, but think how heathen was his act. And there's Ed Payne, he of the most contagious smile we shall ever know, he wasn't always so contagious in his youth; don't you remember what a snob he was?

To be sure, he could act the part beautifully, but think how uncontagious it was. And as for Frank Ray—! Look at them now; they are good men all; and honestly, when you come to think of it, any age under thirty is a bad age, a mean age. I think even our five girls are past thirty by now. Anyhow, the second generation is here, and I have had the honor to deliver class-room lectures to Krieger's daughter. I may add that she is a very charming person, in spite of her vicious youth. I hear that Paddy Francis can't come to our reunion because he has to see his boy graduate, just twenty-five years after his own graduation. I hope he's a better man than Paddy, but I won't believe it.

"Twenty-five years. We haven't made the world over. But we are alive, all of us but two, our own Arthur Heath and Archie Reeves.

"Archie who made so gallant a fight against hopeless odds. We have but two graves, and we should send flowers to them. All of us but two still alive, and none of us criminal, that is not so futile a record. Good Lord, though, it's criminal that we never see each other. I haven't seen Bert Hazlett since he wore the silk hat and the long coat and the cane,—remember those canes? I wonder if I can find mine. Nor Billy Hunt, either, Billy, the old goat, I haven't seen him since he gave me a tin razor. I've seen Pen Converse once, but I knew him instantly. I don't know what I'd rather do than have an endless talk with Ury Myers; I mean it, there's nothing better; and yet I have seen him about twice in twenty-five years. You don't mean to tell me that they're really coming back, these fellows and the rest? Then I'll stop right here. I'd rather talk. I won't even object to being young again."

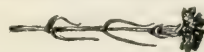


Somewhat one feels that Ed Payne as a college student would know just how to feed a bon-fire, scurry up a flag-pole, or perpetrate sad-visaged witticisms and otherwise protest against study as a dissipation of time. The Payne of today displays none of the marks of twenty-five years. His flame of enthusiasm has never wavered. He wears the same running-broad-jump smile as of yore. You all know about him—just read Who's Who—but perhaps these memories of his are not so familiar:

"Speaking of the happy days of old, I never see a large, robust flag pole that doesn't remind me of that huge tree—three feet through, a hundred or more feet high—with which '87 adorned the tower from 2 a. m. to 2:15 a. m., only to cut it down at the suggestion of a night marauding prof. It was altogether too small to represent properly such a great class. And when I read of war I see again the awful battle between '87 and '88, and the new straw hat I put my foot through and wore as an anklet around my knee for the remainder of the engagement. And the braying of a donkey brings vividly to mind the chorus of the Sells Brothers herd lamenting over the departure of their leader, who was destined to go down in history as the first of his kind to attend a lecture at the University and to have his photo taken proudly wearing the numerals of '88. Then there was the huge tin razor that Billy Hunt gave Joe Taylor to remove the underbrush and second growth from his chin. It must have worn out, for last June Joe was pushing his Van Dyck ahead of him wherever he went.

And I remember the old Dorm dinner bell, which I received as a token of the nutty flavor of my stories. (While Billy was getting off a long string about me I foolishly stood there holding the bell while the boys waved frantically for me to ring the chestnut bell on him. Oh, those lost opportunities, how they burn through all the years!)

"And then those wild, fantastic parades of the Incognitos et Agnos, and again the songs of revelry as the amber juice flowed from Prexy Scott's gypsy cider press into the white, sepulchral pitchers which glistened in the moonlight; they dance merrily over the campus to the tower of the Dorm and into the capacious trunk of ———. He's a professor now in good standing, but his room did have a suspicious odor before IT was consumed. Then there was the dance of the white robed nymphs around the blazing fire that reached the sky. Let's live again those happy days filled with work and study and a spice of foolishness."



The years have been profitable adventure to Miss Daisy Scott, who does not allow the teaching of mathematics at North High School, Columbus, Ohio, to engage all her time or all her sympathies. She has rehearsed a score of amateur plays at North High, bringing to their production the skill of a discriminating artist. In the organization of a school orchestra she has been equally interested. For the recreation of a leisure hour Miss Scott has taken up the study of foreign languages, painting and the story of operas; she touches life at many great angles. Although unable to be present at the reunion Miss Scott sent an album full of memories—as you shall see.

What do I recall from the old college days?

That dreadful day when "Jumbo" Hedges had his nose hurt by some enterprising eighty-sevener, and the riot that ensued when all the members of '87 and '88 minus the fair ones were stretched hors de combat gasping for breath; my own imprisonment in a horrible dark room with black walls under Prexy Scott's class room for three long weary months while investigating the subject of light; the occasional visits I had from a few people that broke up the fearful monotony; the dull thud caused by the fall of a pony in Junior English that one of you was riding; my initiation into Browning with Annie Mullay acting as master of ceremonies; the dire effect of one of Prexy Scott's lectures on the History of Philosophy upon Joseph Russell Taylor; Ed Sparks as Othello smothering a mental Desdemona with a visible pillow on the stage of a down-town opera house; the Valedictory delivered by Wilby Grimes Hyde; the Class Ode that started us all out on the wide sea of life and ended us up on Salt Creek; the curious line of presents given us by Will Hunt; the pleasant days we had with Professor Knight in the study of English classics and his wise reception of the bluffs of some of us; the day we severally mounted the big rock up the glen north of Neil's and the oratory we flung broadcast to the empty air; the delicious interludes of Ella Hortense Morrison at the piano during chapel exercises; the delightful Friday afternoons in Freshman drawing when we each made at least one trip around the assembled artists for gossip and friendly criticism and encouragement. Walter Quincy Scott's lecture on Julius Caesar and our beautiful silk flags resulting from it; the shadow of

the North Pole cast upon the University campus bringing with it the dreadful frost-bitten state of those who were Juniors in '83 after their experience with their North Polar lecture; the day the '85s came out in their black and orange satin ties and our gallant if somewhat strenuous celebration of the event under the direction of Uri Myers; the simultaneous appearance of the Junior Weekly and the Junior Weekly that same year; the size of Twiss' name on the Sword of '86; the little gray donkey found one morning on the third floor by Prof. Derby's door and the subsequent troubles to get it down stairs again; the final view of the little beast cantering down the path to the lake with some tall fellow astride with his legs dragging the ground; the tremendous energy displayed by Dr. Edward Burton in walking us miles and miles up hill and down dale in "the valley"; the ease with which we acquired the ability to walk railroad bridges and high trestles; the vision of McPherson with a coffee pot lamp exploring the mine roof for tracks of a forgotten beast with a dreadful name; Wells of Antioch who was with us but not of us; the time we spent in drawing fern leaves under Prof. Lazenby and the pleasant talks we had while we were doing it; the night in May that Professor McFarland pointed out the constellations to us; the December day when he got out his telescope and showed us the transit of Venus; another day when sun spots—one of particular size—formed the bill of fare; the day the live mouse flew over the transom into the cloak-room and the resultant shrieks; the days when everything was on tip-toe of expectation looking forward to the celebrated Browning Pink Tea; the Freshman banquet that I heard about and did not see; the Chesterfieldian bow with which Lieut. Blockson U. S. A., restored to Gertrude Miller the lost bangs an envious March wind had deprived her of; the laughter and applause that greeted her when she entered chapel the day of the episode; the wonderful Latin poetry that used to appear on the board more or less regularly when the Rev. A. C. Hirst used to listen to our efforts to put the matchless oratory of Cicero or the sublime epic of Virgil into passable English; the days we spent in the museum learning fossils; those

other brain stretching days when we studied the crystallization scheme of the minerals; the dreadful days when we tried to bluff "Davey" into thinking we knew something about chemistry by at least showing an interest in that little, ever changing row of bottles on the shelf in front of the counter in the building that is now but a memory; the annual Thanksgiving dinner in the Chem. Lab.; the great fun "Sid" had over the wild gymnastics of Will Beatty who came to class one day without reading his lesson and was asked to touch off the H₂O bubbles with a lighted candle; the terrible experience of the mythical French lady who used bismuth face powder and afterwards took sulphur baths; those wonderful and mysterious Incognitos et Agnos dress parades and celebrations that used to take place on the Saturday night preceding commencement; C. C. Miller in garb of General Washington reading yards and yards of "reports" akin to those levied by Lieut. Luigi Lomia, U. S. A., for all sorts of military misdemeanors; the discovery some of us made that V. J. Emery was the proud possessor of a pair of beautiful hands, by seeing them displayed to advantage on one of these parades; the speech of Dr. W. Q. Scott to the imps assembled in which he declared with the good old Scotch woman, that total depravity is a good doctrine if well lived up to; his allusion in the same address to the old Scotch minister who divided his sermon on the Devil into three heads—"who the devil he is, what the devil he wants, and where the devil he came from,"—the neat turn of this he made upon the imps, and the appreciative shouts of the imps thereat; the sudden downpour of rain that scattered one such parade and totally annihilated the design of '86 to give Chemistry a decent burial under the direction of Porter Milligan; the "restoration" by '87 of the moss-covered monument "To the Plugs of '83" so long buried beneath the waves of the lake by the vandals of '85; ah! these memories, these memories, multitudinous, tumbling over each other in their effort to come to the fore, can they ever grow dim? They have been pigeon-holed in our brains for many a long year perhaps, and they may have become covered with dust, but our hearts hold them dear forever."



The Twentieth Anniversary of the Class of '92



ONE OF THE MERRIEST events of Alumni Day was the reunion and supper of the class of '92, in commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of its graduation. The affair took place at Ohio Union, at 2:30 o'clock. The afternoon was spent by the class in noting the wonderful growth of the University since student days of long ago. Later in the day, everyone adjourned to the Union to again talk over the old times when military drill was held as now five times per week, when inter-collegiate military contests were in vogue, when literary societies flourished and held annual contests, when Seniors wore plug hats (ask Joe Taylor), when daily chapel was compulsory and the Faculty "spotted" the absentees (ask Myron Smith who "spotted" them), when Ohio State won the State Championship in baseball (ask "Bricky" Evans),

when fellows rented dress-suits (they still do), when "Jemerits" were abroad in the land (my pen is trembling), when the annual "Incog" ceremony was held, when there was a "Gab-Room" (there is still, I mean yet), when Washington's Birthday was University Day, when every fellow knew every other by name, when —.

Although many of the old landmarks (Prexy's Orchard, North Dorm, Band Stand, Wind-Mill, Rubicon Bridge, etc.) had disappeared, yet in the greater Ohio State the class recognized the marvelous growth of their Alma Mater during the last twenty years.

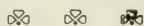
While seated at the tables, the class of '87 visited the class of '92, their procession being headed by one of the members carrying on high a birthday cake illuminated with twenty-five candles. This

call was returned later in the evening. A similar call was made by fifty members of the class of 1910.

Paul Lincoln was Master of Ceremonies and during the evening called on many of the class for short informal talks. Charles Kershaw, who during the afternoon had proven to be the sensation of the Alumni Luncheon by his Melba-Caruso effort in the rendition of "Romeo and Juliet," again as in college days entertained the company with "Cannibal Maid" and many others. All of the speakers expressed their great pleasure at being back again on the beloved old campus and each gave his word that every effort would be made to have the reunion five years hence one of an epoch making character. Prof. McCoard made all very happy by being present at the supper and later recounting the virtues of the class. The absence of Dr. Wm. H.

Scott was very much regretted. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lincoln, Dr. and Mrs. Geo. Watson, Dr. and Mrs. R. D. Keiser, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Stanberry, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dennis, Miss Bertha Krauss, Messrs. H. H. Richardson, F. P. Stump, S. C. Kershaw, C. A. Phelps, P. P. Evans, R. S. Goodell, H. L. Johnson, I. L. Stinebaugh, J. F. Fergus, F. P. Jackson, W. H. Page, and W. L. Evans. Letters and telegrams were received from practically all the members of the class who were unable to be present. After pledging anew greater loyalty and faith in Ohio State, the class adjourned in a body to the President's Reception in the Armory and Gymnasium and were presented to Dr. and Mrs. W. O. Thompson. This occasion brought to a fitting close a most happy day for one of Ohio State's most loyal classes.
W. L. E.

The Reunion of the Class of '10



GENUINE GOOD FELLOWSHIP, zealous enthusiasm and hilarious merrymaking enlivened the first reunion of the class of 1910, held on Alumni day. Everybody wore a glad smile, which in many instances approached a broad grin.

A goodly number of these sportive youngsters were in evidence and greetings were many and cordial. And everybody was jubilant. Now for the reminiscences and the story of the day.

In the husk of class day morning two years ago a silver-tongued ivy orator remarked—more in jest than in earnest—that when in after years aging members of the class of 1910 returned to the campus to find the old haunts changed and unfamiliar that there would be one cherished spot—the foot of the little ivy vine—which all could call their very own. There they could go and glimpse

tertia, syringa and lavender shaded candles were utilized to carry out the color harmony. The class assembled before the doors of their banqueting hall. By way of starting the ceremonies three rousing cheers were given for the classes of '87 and '92, also meeting in reunions on the same floor. The cheers drew a hearty response. The banquet of 1910 was only fairly under way, however, when '87 responded even more warmly than before. The door spun wide open and in trooped the jubileers, all madly cheering, bearing a fire-girdled, frosted birthday cake, picketed with twenty-five jets of flame. Cheers and responses rose and surged and echoed through the building, for all the world like some full-throated football game with the bleachers full. And it was all honest, heart-felt, real.

And now after this unceremonious interruption, the class of 1910 returned to their banquet.

Nobody remembers the menu, but it came in regulation courses—nobody cared when or how. The last cup of coffee was finally drained, the electric lights died out and in the soft glimmer of candle flame, the class listened to impromptu speeches offered by the great and the near great. Then some ardent son proposed to make such reunions annual affairs and to organize the class with a permanent president, secretary and treasurer and executive committee elected by the class, all for the purpose of marshaling the full quota of membership. The suggestion was adopted with wild enthusiasm.

There was very little serious business. Some one inopportunately struck the rousing cords of "Wa-hoo, Wa-hoo" on the keys and in an instant every son and daughter was singing, roaring as lustily as lungs would allow; almost by a magician's wand a swinging grand march was in progress. In and out man and maid wound among the tables and chairs and finally strayed out into the hall and down to the main floor. "Men of Ohio" was followed by "Ohio Our Own," and "Carmen" volleyed out stronger and more exultingly than all the rest. Old grads, assembled for the evening's festivities, smiled, chuckled delightedly, and encouraged the youngsters in their wild pranks by fatherly applause and cries for more, more!

Ah, man, it was great! There are other classes that need to take lessons of 1910.



again the familiar faces and half-forgotten scenes. * * * Sure enough on the evening of June 11, just to prove that their orator was as prophetic as he was eloquent, members of the class really did congregate around the ivy green and, as laughter rang, raised their class yells—and chorused the college songs. And they also thought this a very fit occasion to dedicate a small marble tablet as a marker for this struggling vine, that it may keep their welcome green in years to come.

But the scene of the real festivities of the reunion is to be found in the music room at Ohio Union. Here the tables and walls were decorated in the class colors—lavender and white—and wis-

The Nathaniel Wright Lord Memorial



IMPRESSIVE MEMORIAL EXERCISES were conducted in the University chapel on the morning of Alumni Day in honor of the late N. W. Lord, whose death a year ago last May robbed the University and the School of Mines of one of its ablest and best loved teachers. President Thompson presided. In a few earnest words, he set forth the facts as to Professor Lord's long and honorable service, and the desire of the University to express its sense of loss in some adequate way, and then introduced the Honorable Joseph A. Holmes, Director of the Bureau of Mines of the United States, who spoke upon the theme, "Professor Lord as a Mining Engineer." Dr. Holmes dwelt at length upon the technical contributions of Professor Lord to the mine engineering profession, both in literature, in methods of work, and in the example which he set in clear-headed, effective and public-spirited service. Dr. Holmes' testimony came from the heart, as he had been in close association with Professor Lord since 1903, when the Government entered upon technologic work in fuels at the St. Louis Exposition, a work which expanded gradually into the present Bureau of Mines. Professor Lord was the consulting chemist for this work till the day of his death.

Willis J. Root, E. M. '85, spoke upon "Professor Lord as a Teacher." His testimony was startling in its clear, terse and discriminating sentences. Professor Lord's marvelous hold upon students, he said, was due to his unassuming manner, his unusually broad knowledge of facts, his ability to reason from fundamental laws to their application in the most complex cases, his instant sympathy and interest in anyone who was willing to work to learn, and his life-long and rigid adherence to the square-deal.

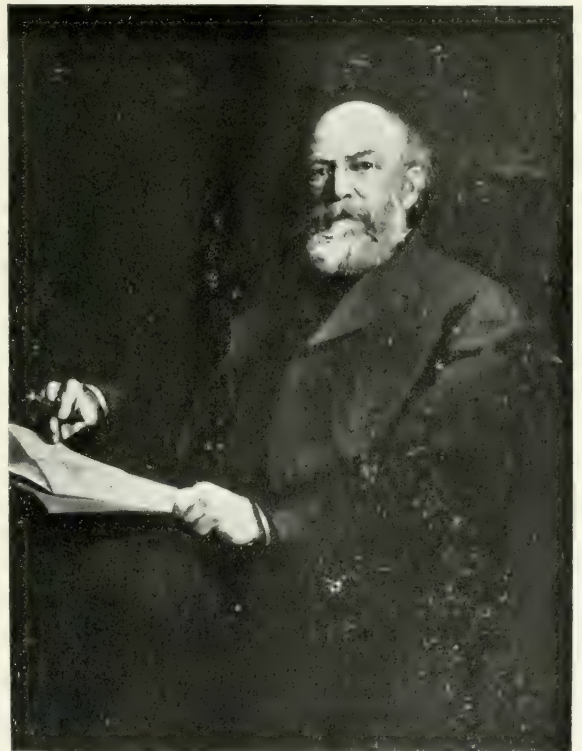
Dean George B. Kauffman, long-time friend and associate, spoke of Professor Lord as a colleague. His voice was charged with emotion as he dwelt upon his charming personal qualities, his loyalty to his friends, his generosity to his opponents, his fiery denunciation of favoritism and snobbery wherever he saw it. He characterized him as a born aristocrat, but in the aristocracy of brains.

At the conclusion of the exercises, Professor Frank A. Ray, E. M. '87, came forward and speaking in behalf of the Alumni and students of the School of Mines, presented the University with a beautiful portrait of Professor Lord, painted in oil by his sister, Miss Caroline A. Lord, of Cincinnati. It was a dramatic moment when the dark green curtains, slowly parting, revealed him seated in characteristic pose with expression and coloring so life-like as to startle even those who knew what to expect. The work of this artist was a labor of love and she has breathed into her work the very soul of the man she has painted. No more marvelous or more beautiful piece of portraiture has ever been seen in this city. The picture is to be hung in Lord Hall.

After the audience had sat for a few moments in silent scrutiny of the portrait, President Thompson accepted the beautiful gift on behalf of the University.

The audience then formed an academic procession to the School of Mines, under the direction of Captain George L. Converse and marshaled by his efficient cadet officers. The long line filing slowly and steadily in double column from the chapel was most impressive. It covered the entire distance of the School of Mines, and when finally all had entered filled the hallways and lobby of that building to its capacity.

Dean Edward Orton, Jr., E. M. '84, speaking for the alumni and students of the School of Mines, explained the desire of the alumni to pass along to future generations something of the inspiration it had been their privilege to receive from Professor



Lord, and said that there were two ways in which this could be done. The first of these ways was by preparing and placing before the eyes of all who pass, some physical reminders of Professor Lord's life and work. In this connection, he unveiled the large bronze tablet, designed by Professor Thomas E. French, and executed by the W. S. Tyler Co., of Cleveland, an illustration of which is reproduced herewith.

The Honorable Guy Mallon, from Cincinnati, member of the Board of Trustees and one time neighbor of Professor Lord, then accepted the tablet, and in the name of the board of trustees, named the building Lord Hall, and dedicated it to

the uses and purposes of the School of Mines forever.

Members of the alumni and students of the School of Mines later in the day formed an organization to be known as the Nathaniel Wright Lord Memorial Association, to be duly incorporated according to the Laws of Ohio. Committees were appointed to proceed with the necessary steps to this end. The purpose of the association is to carry out the second method of perpetuating the spirit of Professor Lord, that of arranging for an endowed scholarship to carry on research work in the problems of the mineral industry. The scholarship is to be open to graduate students only and limited to work germane to the School of Mines.

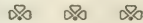
It was decided to raise not less than \$8,333 as the endowment fund, which sum yields \$500 per year, when deposited in the state treasury and made a part of the irreducible debt of the state. If possible, the amount will be increased to \$10,000. This part of the memorial is, in the opinion of the alumni, the really important part; the part which Professor Lord himself would have most approved and desired.

There has been already subscribed during the preceding year's work, under the original committee, a sum of \$2,500, a considerable part of which has been paid in. After paying all expenses incurred thus far, there remains \$1,000 available for deposit to the credit of the scholarship fund, as soon as the necessary organization is completed and contracts and deeds of gift can be duly drawn up and signed. No money has been subscribed thus far from other than alumni and students of the School of Mines, but later it is expected to solicit the aid of all interested persons, in carrying through the prospect so favorably begun. It is expected by the members of the association that some time will elapse before the work of collecting the endowment will be completed, but the dues of the members each year will insure its steady growth. They hope to interest prominent mining men and capitalists to whom Professor Lord's work was known and by such means to shorten the time when the sum will be complete, and the work of the scholarship can be begun.



Halbert Edwin Payne

ALUMNI PRESIDENT



IT WAS THE FIRST Patriarchs' Reunion that brought back to the campus after many years, Halbert Edwin Payne of the class of '87. He was the leading spirit of that reunion and the success of the undertaking was due to his contagious enthusiasm. Every member of the early classes who was present, will long remember that famous procession of "silver grays" and the dinner which followed at Ohio Union,—especially Mr. Payne's speech and its climax.

For many years Mr. Payne has been so occupied with business affairs that he has been unable to return to the University during the commencement season. Since leaving college his interest has centered largely in the development of the typewriter. For twenty-five years he has devoted his time to designing, perfecting and manufacturing machines, protecting his patents, introducing the typewriter among the countries of Europe and establishing agencies in the principal cities of the United States.

Outside of business hours he has found time for other things. Work among the boys of the Sunshine Mission in New York has claimed many of his evenings. His attractive personality at once won a place for him in the hearts of these young ruffians of the street. They were quick to detect that he had come among them with real interest in their welfare, and in consequence he has had

peculiar success in teaching these young Americans to help themselves.

He has never lost his interest in the University. He has kept in touch with her progress from time to time and has been a leading spirit among the Ohio State men in New York. For the past two years Mr. Payne has been closely associated with Mr. Mershon in the work of re-organizing the association, and has always been one of Mr. Mershon's most loyal supporters and enthusiastic admirers. As a member of the Board of Visitors and secretary of the Board, Mr. Payne has done much to organize this important phase of the association work. His greatest interest, however, has centered in a dormitory system for men. His plan has found a hearty endorsement among the alumni. On Alumni Day he was able to announce that the sale of bonds, amounting to \$22,000 made possible the beginning of a new system of residences for men on the campus. This dormitory system will undoubtedly meet a pressing need of the University.

Mr. Payne is a man of broad vision and quick sympathy, of winning personality and pronounced ability. Under his leadership, the work of the association so well begun under the efficient leadership of the retiring president, will be carried forward with assurance and enthusiasm. He merits the loyal support and confidence of the entire body of alumni.



IN MEMORIAM

NATHANIEL WRIGHT LORD

FOR THIRTY-THREE YEARS PROFESSOR OF NATURAL HISTORY AND
ARRIED SCIENCE, FIRST DIRECTOR OF THE SCHOOL OF MINES,
AND FIRST DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING.

THIS TABLET WAS PLACED BY HIS FORMER PUPILS IN GRATEFUL AND
PAINFUL REMEMBRANCE OF THE MANY WISE AND INSPIRING TEACHER, THE
RELIABLE AND ENCOURAGING ADVISOR, THE SOBER INVESTIGATOR, THE SAGACIOUS
ENGINEER, THE PUBLIC-SPIRITED CITIZEN, THE KINDLY GENTLEMAN, AND
THE IRREPROACHABLE EXAMINER. HIS SERVICES TO THIS INSTITUTION AND
TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS HAVE BEEN RECORDED UPON THE BUILDING THE NAME

LORD HALL

THE LORD MEMORIAL TABLET

The College Graduate in American Life

Commencement Address Delivered in the Armory, Wednesday, June 12, by
William Oxley Thompson, President of Ohio State University, Before
the Board of Trustees, the Faculty, Members of the Senior
Class, Alumni, and Friends of the University

AFTER WHAT PROVED TO BE a fruitless search among a large number of capable and distinguished men, and no fewer than nine declinations, the rapid approach of Commencement Day suggested that we should be compelled to forego the pleasure of hearing a new voice and of hearing a large and generous discussion of an important theme and content ourselves with the familiar tone of one who by the grace of the students and the patience of others, including trustees, has witnessed the progress of the University and the coming and going of thirteen commencements. In the experience of these years this same person has discovered three times a year when a president seems to be essential to the University: First, during the annual "Cane Rush," when he performs the high function of referee; second, during the "Tug of War," the one time of the year when he uses a revolver and also serves as time-keeper; and third, on Commencement Day, when by common consent he is the handy man of the occasion. I am pleased to say that for thirteen years I have not omitted any one of these necessary functions.

With becoming apology for repeated failures to secure a desirable speaker for this occasion I now ask you to bear with me for a brief time while I discuss with you some of the problems in American life which seem to me to confront the college-bred man and woman in the hope that their statement may suggest to you a proper attitude toward them and a high resolve to contribute your share in their solution.



America is still young, indeed very young. It is a common observation on the part of European travellers that we lack nearly all the evidence of mature civilization. I do not regard this as reproach but a plain statement of fact. There are a good many signs of adolescence in American life. That turbulent period of youth marked by visions, impulses, high aspirations, ambitions, turbulence of spirit, restlessness with slight admixture of waywardness, is after all one of the most interesting periods of life. It would not be difficult to draw a somewhat easy parallel in our American life marked as it is and has been by exuberance of spirit, unconquerable purpose and abounding energy, a certain recklessness of results and prodigality of resources. These things make it a real joy to be a young American living in a most fascinating

period. It has often been remarked that a boy, that is, a good boy, is a well organized appetite, and a girl, that is, a beautiful girl, is a charming interrogation point. The happy union of these two constitutes the American family which is the real unit in our civilization and brings before us the typical American. They are usually inspired by hope abounding in enthusiasm, curious to discover, energetic to win, courageous in the contest, abounding in self-reliance and startling in their initiative. These qualities together with a national enthusiasm for freedom undergirded with profound religious and moral convictions have made the American people a most interesting contribution to the world's progress. Here you are today, half a thousand or more of you plunging into the swift current of American life. You have utilized and enjoyed the educational opportunities that a representative commonwealth presents as your equipment in meeting these problems as well as in the solution of them. It may be worth while in an attempt to point out your place in this civilization to pass rapidly in review a few of the outstanding features of the history that focuses upon your time.

The nineteenth century has baffled a complete analysis of itself. The first half of it witnessed war, some panics, rapid settlement of the country and a serious discussion of many political theories. In the very midst of it came the great Civil War which was the greatest struggle of modern times in the interest of human freedom. One half the country prostrate, the entire country bleeding, the nation engulfed in indebtedness, there was the entire lack of discouragement and a renewal of energy which commanded the admiration of the world. In the presence of these struggles, railway energy spanned the continent with the transcontinental railway and connected the two great oceans with rapid transit. The development of telegraphy and the appearance of the telephone put every hamlet on the continent within speaking distance of every commercial center. The period of invention and improvement of machinery in agriculture, manufactures and commerce, opened up the way for enormous development of business and the creation of wealth unparalleled in the history of the world. The century has sometimes been characterized as a century of iron, steel and electricity. The declaration of freedom coming out of the Civil War opened up the opportunity for the better organization the Great West and the admission of new states into the Union until now every portion of the great domain is regularly organized under the forms of a representative government. Meantime

the western tide of population has moved steadily forward until the great problems of conservation of our natural resources have become serious and imperative. The advancement of science and the application of science to the improvement of industry have revolutionized business, transportation, industry, and American life, so that the rise and growth of great cities read like a fairy tale. The development of the country has moved forward by leaps and bounds. Massive fortunes hitherto undreamed of have been accumulated. The statistics of wealth stagger the imagination.

In the presence of these material and commercial things an unparalleled development of education has occurred. The last fifty years have witnessed a nation-wide movement for public education marked by an equipment in buildings, libraries, laboratories, teaching force and students, quite beyond the imagination of our fathers. The scene before us today in this commencement is typical of what is to be found all over the country in American education. The students in colleges and universities are no longer to be counted by the thousands but by the hundreds of thousands. Alongside this educational revolution the nineteenth century saw great emphasis upon the evolutionary hypothesis which revolutionized all our thinking. It aroused debates in science, history, and in practically every subject of human inquiry. No century in our history has been characterized by a more stirring intellectual life. Meantime doubts had arisen, but doubt itself had been defeated. It was a century of faith, of construction, of world building. The missionary spirit had caught the enthusiasm of the time and had undertaken to evangelize the world. The theological discussion had brought out with new emphasis the brotherhood of mankind, the fatherhood of God, and set up before the world as a type of American idealism that this nation was to lead the world toward higher and better things. In the very closing years of the century Dewey makes his attack at Manila Bay; Sampson and Schley win victories in the southern waters. America becomes a world power apparently without purpose or design and is forced to take her place in the great movements for a world civilization. American citizenship has been stripped of much of its provincialism and America is compelled to think in larger units.

The suggestions already made of great power, great wealth, great improvement, all furnish the basis on which we can understand that the opening year of the twentieth century are characterized by a widespread social unrest. Nor is this unrest confined to America. Careful observers tell us that it is world wide. It is not to be wondered at that with this unparalleled activity there should have been developed problems as large as the wealth created. Notwithstanding the progress which has been marked by the lengthening of life, the prevention and cure of disease, the relatively easy accumulation of wealth, there still persists great unevenness in the physical, social, intellectual and moral conditions of society. The temptations have taken new form. The ambitions of men are still unsatisfied. American democracy is still struggling to reconcile the classes and the masses. The standards of living set by rapidly increasing wealth have accelerated the pace of life. The bread line is still a source of anxiety. The institutions of freedom are sometimes the engines of oppression. The unrest of the present day is not a mere incident of poverty,

for it is found among all classes, both rich and poor. I sometimes wonder whether we shall ever be able to come back to the days of childhood in the same spirit in which Whitcomb Riley turns to the days of his boyhood when he said:

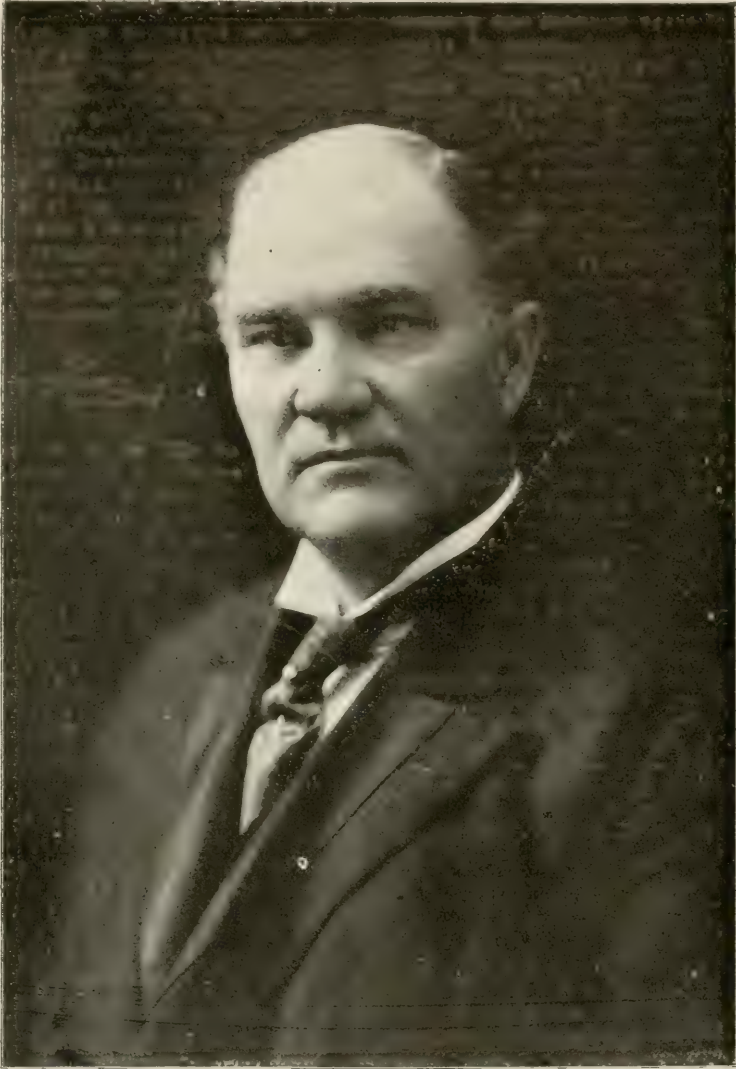
"Let's go a-visitin' back to Griggsby's Station—
Back where we ust to be so happy and so pore!"

In those days poverty and happiness were oftentimes the closest of friends; in these days it is not at all certain that happiness can dwell with either wealth or poverty.

While happiness can neither be regarded as the summum bonum of life nor an object to be distinctly sought, since the more you seek it the less you find it, it is nevertheless one of the bi-products of any well ordered life or civilization. A life that does not produce happiness is unsound. A civilization that is threatened in its integrity by the wretchedness of multitudes may seriously ask itself what the trouble is. It is not my purpose this morning to diagnose the situation or to furnish the remedy but rather to suggest to a group of college graduates some of the conditions surrounding the problems they must meet and possibly to suggest their part in helping American life to a more wholesome condition.



First of all, let it be recognized that you are plunging into a life which shows no lack of energy or efficiency. No one can read American history and feel that the people lack energy. He might question the wisdom with which they have exerted themselves, but he could not deny the fact that there is tremendous energy everywhere on this continent. Indeed the criticism is not infrequently heard that we have a surplus of energy; that we are altogether too active; that too little place is found in American life for the leisurely thoughtfulness which builds permanency. It may be that individuals lack oftentimes this sterling quality but it will be well for you to assume that the abounding energy of the American people will continue long past your day and generation. The efficiency of the people is usually assumed. This, however, is a more debatable question. American energy has been characterized by tremendous wastefulness. It is difficult always to argue for efficiency in the presence of such tremendous extravagance of energy. The much discussed problems of conservation in these days constitute only one side of the issue. While wasting with one hand we have not always been careful to develop with the other. We have produced our crops at too great cost of our original resources. The impoverished condition of large areas of this country is a persistent note of warning. I recall very distinctly when visiting Leadville, Colorado, a score of years ago that the dumps of some of the lead mines were supposed to be worthless. In later years improved methods of producing ores made those dumps sources of great profit. Efficiency has dragged itself along in particular instances of this kind. I do not mean to offer a sweeping criticism of the practices of the fathers. It seems foolish now to think of rail fences of walnut wood or of the best of white oak, but that was a necessity of the time. They were the cheapest fences that could be built. The lumber nowadays could be turned to much better purpose.



WILLIAM OXLEY THOMPSON, D.D., L.L.D.
President Ohio State University.

DR. THOMPSON delivered the baccalaureate sermon and the commencement address at the graduation exercises of the class of 1912 held at Ohio State University in June. The text of the addresses will be found elsewhere in this issue of the Monthly.

This may illustrate what is true in many instances in respect to the wastefulness of the early settlers. Making due allowance, however, for all these things, the fact remains that American experience has proved that we have been unnecessarily wasteful of our resources. This is hardly consistent with higher efficiency.

Another phase, however, is that a good deal of latent power and efficiency has never been developed. This is the field into which educated young men and young women may enter in the sure hope not only of a reward for their services but of the gratitude of the people as well. It is characteristic of high efficiency that it usually produces its results economically and without destroying the fruits of other activities. The improved methods of many manufacturing processes have enabled us to gather larger percentages of value and thus represent a very important phase of conservation. This brings out the hopeful vision for educated young men and young women. There is a problem here worthy of your best intelligence. My references have chiefly been to things material simply because they are most evident. The student of sociology, however, is well aware of the fact that the social waste of modern society together with the failure to use our social forces for the betterment of civilization are simply appalling. It is the function, however, of the educated person to see the possibilities here and throw his energies into such a reorganization of our social life as will make it not only more efficient but productive of greater happiness.

The organization of government by common consent has been the least economical of any phase of American life. There has been superficial efficiency. There have been advocates, too, of the reckless expenditure of money on the part of the government who justified this expenditure on the grounds that they were a practical means of distributing revenues. This is akin to the old theory of political economy that the burning of a house somehow created labor. Some men could not see why the destruction of property was not a blessing and why it would fail to be a community blessing. In much the same way our public expenditure of money has been characterized by a reckless disregard of results and oftentimes by a partial failure at least to advance the public interests. The problem of poverty that stares us in the face is a purely local condition. There is money enough, there is wealth enough, there is food enough, but for some reason the American mind has not yet discovered a method of distribution which is effective. Meantime everybody is clamoring for bigness. Every city wants to grow at a rapid rate and exceed the speed limit of every other city. In this buoyant expectation the superficial observer supposes that the bigger the city the more certain its prosperity. As a matter of fact, the bigger the city, the bigger its problems. The art and science of living in our great centers of commerce and industry is yet to be developed. The prevalence of crime and the wide-spread fear that settles down over the people with ever setting of the sun is a silent testimony to the fact that we have not yet learned how to live. After all, it is quite as important that people know how to live as that they know how to fight or even to make money. The problem of the American city has been heralded for two decades and just now we are discussing the great problem of the open country. This, too, in a country where energy abounds and where a certain

superficial efficiency is recognized. The college graduate would seem therefore to have a divine call in showing us how to direct our energies and how to create an efficiency that yields the peaceable fruits of righteousness and comfort.

A second characteristic of American life has been its abounding initiative. The typical American never declines a challenge. He has an abounding confidence in his ability to do things. He starts out with supreme confidence that things will turn out well in the end. Aside from this he has shown a good deal of originality in his initiative. The easiest illustration of this quality will be found in the Patent Office at Washington; in the improvement of American machinery; in the superior quality of many of the common things that minister to every-day life. There are some things that can be better done in Europe than in America, but one must recognize that the initiative of the American has been rather high class. He has made all the experiments imaginable in politics, religion, business and education. It is not a condemnation that many of these experiments have borne little valuable fruit. It is this restless spirit of the pioneer that has made all his achievements possible. Perhaps you will say that his energetic initiative has not always been intelligent, but it is better to strike a match in the dark than not to strike it at all.



Granted without further debate that much can be said against the quality of American initiative, the point I have in mind is that the graduate of the twentieth century will hardly startle the world by showing unusual initiative. His problem rather will be to direct this initiative in practical, useful, and helpful lines. Education should help its beneficiary to do things in a better way. We sometimes fear that the monotony of our educational process suppresses and destroys the initiative of the rising generation. It must be confessed that excessive training has its dangers. College life itself has made evident its own threat against the useful initiative of the graduate. The masterful influence of leisure, commonly known as loafing, has a long category of sins in college life. It may be well, therefore, to sound the note of caution, perhaps of alarm, to the American college graduate of today when he faces an active, busy world. The habit of dawdling away time; too common in many circles, the lack of any appreciation of time as a factor in life, the current notion that an escape from the adverse decision of faculties is sufficient for a gentleman, unite to create an atmosphere in which initiative is discounted. If the American college graduate is to improve American life he must put away the childish things of his school days and act the part of an intelligent, aggressive citizen. He will hardly justify the state's expenditure of money for his education unless this contribution makes decidedly for economic efficiency. The tremendous initiative that has built our railroads and our subways was an important contribution to American life. Many of these pioneers in finance and construction lacked the deliberate preparation of the modern university. The fathers literally hewed their ways across the Alleghanies and blazed the pathway over mountains and plains to the Pacific coast. We have no new continents now to discover, but we have yet to make some most important discoveries for the enrichment and the betterment of

the people. There is no one to whom we look with such confidence or with such reason as to the college graduate for their betterment. He will need to be a pioneer in a good many questions that vitally affect our financial, political, and social welfare.

A third suggestion is that the American college graduate will need to recognize the genius for organization that has characterized American life. The greatest political problem of the present day is probably centered around the organization of wealth and of industry. No one can question that the organization itself is rather high class. Some would say that it is vicious; others would say that it is maliciously managed; some would say that it is selfish and against the public welfare. Perhaps it is too early in our experience to know just what the truth really is. There are good reasons for believing that the American genius for organization which has developed our financial systems, our railway situation, our forms of government, and last of all what we call the trust, is not altogether malevolent. It may be conceded without debate that in the progress of human society very decided evils have been developed. It is not necessary to affirm that the organizing talent of the American people has always been exercised in a wise or beneficent manner. It must be recognized, however, that it has accomplished some gigantic enterprises. Some college graduate may come along one of these days who will distance all the fathers in his power of organization, but it would be well not to think of ourselves more highly than we ought to think and to recognize at the outset that young America to-day will have to show some respect to the genius of the fathers. Whether the coming young man can reform the organizations in business and industry so as to eliminate the evils without destroying the enterprise is probably a matter of academic speculation.

It may be remarked in passing that it is easier to build a fortune than to learn how to use it. It is also more difficult to live an honest life without the fortune than to resist the temptation to build one by unrighteous methods. Students of society are beginning to criticise American life for its inability to direct its own organizations. The school is accused of falling into the trap of an unjust industrialism because it favors vocational education. The church is charged with indifference to the public welfare and subservience to the manufacturers of great wealth. We are plainly told of our inability to manage our industrial organization so as to make an equitable distribution of the benefits arising from our own talent. We are told that the modern manufacturing enterprise is reasonably efficient, well organized but badly managed. The proof of this we are told is that the improvement in productive machinery and in labor-saving machinery has not adequately improved the condition of the laborer nor protected the operator from the dangers of industrial revolutions. Strikes and lockouts are cited as proofs that our organizations are as selfish as they are efficient. This charge is laid against the capitalist and the labor union with equal emphasis. We are told that the organizations of labor and the organization of capital are alike selfish, while the efficiency of the organization for certain purposes is not disputed. One can readily see that the talent of organization is one that ought to be highly prized. The college graduate of tomorrow will need to know thoroughly well the purpose that these organizations should serve. There is a large and

practically unlimited field here for investigation and perhaps for reform. No statesmanlike view would consider it necessary to spend much energy in abusing the genius for organization or in trying to legislate against it. The real problem is to direct this organization by patriotic and humanitarian motives. The college graduate therefore if he is to serve any great purpose in the world should be able to direct with a superior intelligence the organized forces of industry, of commerce, of politics, and of business. I have the faith to believe that the world will welcome the genius who can ameliorate conditions without destroying institutions. If our education fails to produce a generation capable of progress in these directions few will be the words of praise.

I venture to suggest that it may be well for college graduates to recognize the fact that the creation of wealth is no longer the supreme achievement. The science of production in nearly every realm of human activity has quite outrun our ability to make proper use of it. The tremendous legacies and gifts of the last fifty years might well be interpreted as a testimony on the part of wealth to its own dissatisfaction. Most of these benevolences have been given in the hope that they might do something for society which the producer of wealth was unable to do. I imagine that a man like Mr. Carnegie has realized that the problem of distributing his accumulations is more difficult than the secrets of metallurgy or the mysteries of the tariff. Scotch acquisitiveness is not quite synonymous with the wisdom of Solomon. There have been millions of poverty stricken people in the generations past and yet no nation has gone to a pauper's grave. The lesson of the centuries would be therefore that educated men and women would do well not to set their affections too exclusively on the accumulation of wealth in the hope of gaining an enviable immortality in history. The story of Croesus is as unsatisfying as that of the modern multi-millionaire. There is something yet lacking. It would be a great misfortune if the world's wealth were destroyed or if new wealth could not be created. It is equally unsatisfactory if the amassing can not carry with it a like accumulation of human happiness. The progress of the world is not to be measured exclusively in the statistical tables of tax duplicates or government revenues. If college graduates are to make any contribution to the permanent progress of the world they will need to do something other than and something more than add to its wealth. It may be that America is too young yet to realize the importance of the non-material assets. It may be that the fear of poverty will so distress the college graduate as to prohibit him from throwing his life into the high purpose of making life more fruitful. The late Earl of Shaftsbury stood in his generation as a type of man who regarded the ministry of service to others as the chief opportunity of his day. Mr. Gladstone, a contemporary, illustrated in a political world an almost unparalleled devotion to the things of the mind and to the spirit. It is doubtful whether any great creator of wealth will ever occupy as permanent a place in the esteem and affection of history as Mr. Gladstone. Our own country has not been without such notable examples. The services of a Washington or a Lincoln are quite beyond the measurements commonly applied to men of wealth. In less conspicuous spheres many a college graduate has served with a distinction all out of proportion to his publicity. The dispiritualizing effects of these material measurements have been com-

mented upon by thoughtful men for a generation. There is in the American mind today a profound conviction that the college graduate would do well not to surrender ingloriously to the temptation to enter the fields of easier conquest. There is a greater need of men today than of money; of dependable character than of guaranteed deposits.



Turning aside now from a review of these qualities in American life that would seem to be important for the college graduate to keep in full vision, let me turn your attention to a few of the qualities in the graduate himself that would seem to be worthy of consideration.

First of all, I bring some emphasis upon the importance of a high moral purpose in whatever service is proposed. I am not disposed to enter upon a disquisition in morals or to bring a charge against the present or preceding generations for any shortcomings they may have manifested but rather to call attention to the essential necessity of the fundamental qualities desired in educated men. Others will put emphasis upon the necessity of scholarship, upon the acquisition of power, upon the development of efficiency and skill and upon the importance of a persistent industry in our vocations. These qualities need no special emphasis. Their importance is so evident as to be easily conceded. It is also recognized that many intelligent men and women who have met all the requirements that governing bodies may exact may still be woefully lacking in virtues quite as essential as any one of those mentioned. The presence of a high moral purpose in living stimulates the idealism that gives beauty and tone to character. There is no escape from the temptation springing from our material environment, save a loyalty to the loftier ideals. It is this loyalty that makes it safe for any high-minded man to deal with the grosser realities of every-day existence. A study of the moral quality in our citizenship or a tabulation of the moral delinquencies in a generation will reveal the fact that people go astray because they wander aimlessly about seeking the line of least resistance. The love of ease and comfort, the longing for luxury and a more or less selfish desire for mere gratification have rendered many lives meaningless and measurably disappointing. We are not lacking in intelligence enough to discover the restless, unsatisfied, and often unhappy conditions in American life. The old proverb has taught us that happiness is always in the next county; by which the world has tried to say that the fitting from place to place, from pleasure to pleasure, from ambition to ambition, has resulted in the moral breakdown of thousands of people who have disappointed reasonable expectations. Conceding what no one will deny, the necessity of recreation and of relaxation from the strenuous struggles in all worthy living, we are bound to recognize that the aimless and sometimes vulgar expenditure of money is a sad comment upon the moral quality of American citizenship. Unless our education shall have developed within us resources and the power to utilize them for our own comfort and happiness and for the social betterment of our neighbor, we may well say that it is degraded to the plane of drudgery. The ethics of sawing wood is more commendable than that of medical quackery. The digger in the

ditch is not often a high-minded idealist, but his moral purposes may be more commendable than those of the man who exploits his labor for selfish ends. I have a growing conviction that the majority of our young men and women are possessed of a commendable purpose. Indeed I have been so persuaded of this as to say that if I had the power I would enact a law prohibiting men or women beyond a given age, say thirty-five, from participating in the legislative work of society.

I have been driven to this belief because of the moral breakdown of men and women in what we call the middle of life. Debased as we often are by our wordly ambitions and pressed even by what we regard as the necessities, men often yield to temptations, throw away the ideals of youth and follow the grosser things of the market place. Older men frequently recover from this experience sufficiently to renew their attachment to useful ideals but not always sufficiently to assume the leadership in a progressive civilization. This comment upon the tendencies in life is supported by the observation of a growing indifference toward social elevation, of the materializing effects of the struggle for existence, of the less exacting standards of the more mature in years and of a certain lack of moral enthusiasm. As a matter of fact the world has been renewed and reformed either by young men and women or by older men and women who have never lost the vision of youth. In general I may say that I would trust the honor, the integrity, the devotion to principle, of a thousand young people today further than I would trust the same qualities in their fathers and mothers. The serious problem with American life is to maintain through the years of struggle the high moral purpose that ordinarily controls the young man or young woman who has the ambition for an education. Not infrequently our parents are exercised over the moral perils that surround the children when they first break the ties that bind them to the early associations. I sympathize with them in this anxiety. Every mature man or woman also recognizes the perils surrounding the years of fortune building; of growing power and of place making. The hopeful enthusiasm that centers about the constructive years of education is based upon the hope that the high moral purposes of youthful years will abide until the wisdom of age has appeared. This may sound a little strange in the ears of some, especially in view of the fact that current literature is saturated with stories of the pitfalls about the feet of the young, especially in our large cities. It should not be forgotten, however, that many of these pitfalls have been skilfully prepared by older heads and that youth is oftentimes exploited by the selfishness of mature life. I make the plea, therefore, today that the college graduate of the twentieth century shall carry forward into his maturer years the high resolves, the inspiring visions, and the holy purposes that have accompanied his ambition to be what his nobler self suggests he ought to be. It is the persistence of this purpose which has given us the men and women who are the bulwarks of our civilization. Let it be granted that they are the minority, but nothing is clearer than that the way of the majority is not always the way of righteousness.



Second, I bring you some emphasis upon the place of integrity in American life.

This is an old fashioned word but goes to the heart of many present-day problems. Go back in your experience with "An integer is a whole number." This was an early lesson in arithmetic. Integrity there suggests the "wholeness" of the person. As the common phrase has it—he is all there—no mental reservations—no evasions—no tricks or cunning devices—no fractional devotion or loyalty. This simple elementary idea is no trifle when worked into life.

I plead for your interest in maintaining and developing it in American life because it is so simple but so fundamental. Already it has been an issue in your lives many a time. Your integrity will often determine your fitness for place in a great democracy.

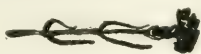
In a popular way we approve of these things but I am not appealing today for beliefs or approval. There is a maxim that says integrity is greater than infallibility, which is another way of saying that men are greater than their beliefs provided they are true men. Phillips Brooks frequently said truthfulness was greater than truth and character than belief. All this means that the abstract conceptions of truth, honor, justice, and the other virtues have little value or force until they are embodied in flesh and blood. This always has seemed to me proof of the love of God that for our understanding he dwelt among us in flesh and blood.

To turn to another direction for a moment let me point out that the very heart of this American life is found in the family. The integrity of that institution is not a matter of creed or belief. It begins with the marriage vow where our interest in the ceremony is only superficial. We care not whether it be the ancient or the modern form; whether indeed it be by church or by state; our real interest is in the integrity of the people who make the contract and the integrity of the contract. Do whole people without mental reservation or evasion come to the altar? Do they bring an integrity in fact and one that can be maintained? It has often been observed that a simple lapse from truthfulness, virtue and honor paves the way for a rapid descent in unknown paths. The lack of integrity in our thinking opens the way for moral crookedness. The double standard of virtue and honor so generally accepted or acquiesced in is responsible for more financial and political crookedness than the world will ever know. The notion is too prevalent that men may be integers—or whole numbers—in business or politics and very improper or vulgar fractions in the family. Indeed men have played false with themselves so often that they have lost sight of the insinuating and deceptive character of their own duplicity. In these days of agitation and intense political and social upheavals we need to come back to a consideration of the place of integrity and a few other elementary virtues as essentials in citizenship and as prerequisites for office. In our moments of enthusiasm we fondly dream of the future of our country or of its present greatness when suddenly we are arrested in our visions of Utopia; but we can not get away from our desire for a country where there are no political bosses, no corrupt legislatures, no corrupting citizens, no public officials controlled or influenced by unclean motives. We long for a state in which the integrity of the individual is matched by the integrity of officials—a state where courts are the ministers of justice, righteousness and equity—a land where there are no adulterated and poisoned foods—no

fake medicines and no quacks who prey upon the credulity or ignorance of the people. We desire a country where government is conducted in the interests of the people unhindered by the selfish interests of a small minority—where the whole people are not exploited in the interests of a few. It would require an hour to catalogue all your desires in this direction, but let me stick to the point. In my judgment there is no greater issue before the civilization of the twentieth century than the issue of integrity. There are two things I admire in the old Hebrew ritual of sacrifices—the whole burnt offering and the fact that the offering to Jehovah was to be the best of the flock without blemish. What American life will always need is this spirit of a whole burnt offering without spot or blemish. As always we need today the inspiration of a throng of young men and women whose integrity will persist through the years. This is the heart of every domestic, social, financial or political issue in our American life today. Give us a generation of men in our courts—our legislative halls—our pulpits and our universities and schools, with integrity as deep seated as gravity in the laws of nature and we could abolish our divorce courts—our grandchildren would be saved the necessity of explaining why we held public office—indeed we could save a lot of our energy now consumed in protecting ourselves against dishonor and use it in wholesome, happy living. The selfish interests of men have a large field for exercise in matters of finance and tariffs, but there is an equally wide field in those same fields for integrity when people have the moral courage to be honest. The false theories that duplicity, trickery, false pretenses, corrupt practices are consistent with being successful men and women are responsible for the uneconomic method in our public life and for much of the tremendous waste in American living. The high cost of living about which so much is written and on account of which we are liable to be deluged with half baked legislation is at heart a question of integrity. The integrity of American life can not endure the challenge that comes both from the poverty of the slum and the oppression of great wealth as officially announced by the courts. We can not say that it is always criminal to be rich any more than we can say it is criminal to be poor, but I wish to declare publicly my own belief that integrity in American life for which I am making a plea would not only avoid the necessity of certain court sentences, but would avoid even the necessity of raising the question. The world has been too much enamored of a prosperity built on unrighteousness. We have taken for granted that anything that made some of us rich—or elected some of us to office—or gave some of us the badge of responsibility—was IPSO FACTO all right. There have been times and places where men hardly dared to raise the question as to the integrity of business or political life. The regular recurrence of dividends or the prompt payment of interest was sufficient to satisfy all demands. There is now a rising sentiment in favor of better business and better life. The time has passed when the thoughtful public and the awakened conscience of the people will be quiet under mere political platitudes or pious repetition of religious formulae. No vote of a state legislature or of the United State Senate itself can even make a seat in that body honorable. That is a question of fundamental integrity—a question of fact that can never be settled by a majority vote as no other question of fact can. If two-thirds of the people in this country believe and

should act upon the belief that political corruption or business dishonesty were a proper basis for American business or politics—the issue of integrity would still be there and could not be put down even by a unanimous vote.

The appeal for a better American life must constantly be made to reasonable men—to truthful men—to men of integrity. They must stand in their integrity called of God to be the bulwark of the nation. It is this appeal I should be glad to make today not to this class alone but to all other classes elsewhere to put this old fashioned but simple virtue of integrity in its proper place as one of the foundation stones of American life.



A third suggestion I offer, is the opportunity before the college graduate for help in the achievement of democracy.

In these turbulent times one scarcely dares use the word lest he be misunderstood or accused of insincerity. It is such a fine word for the demagogue that one sometimes could wish another word could be invented for use in reputable and responsible circles. However I make bold to say that while democracy is a lofty ideal—the crowning achievement of history in the present state of the world's development—it has not by any means reached a full realization or appreciation.

For more than a hundred years the movement has gone along—checked in its progress occasionally but in the main unhindered. There is a sort of world-wide consciousness of democracy that is modifying our views of society, of religion and of government. When America inaugurated a form of government which was a representative democracy adverse criticism abounded in some quarters. The world had made some experiments in limited areas, as in Greece and Rome, but the thoughtful classes did not regard democracy with great favor. The belief was quite general that democracy was not applicable to large areas or to great populations. John Stuart Mill following Plato thought that government by the best was the only safe theory and could not see how collective mediocrity could ever provide for human progress. The French Revolution was in some quarters styled the French Madness. The experiment in the United States was often spoken of in terms of doubt and disdain. Its failure was freely prophesied. Nevertheless the century's movement has been steadily toward democracy not alone in the United States but in Europe. Church organizations have felt the force of the movement by a more definite and larger place for the laymen in the religious activities. Lecky in his "Democracy and Liberty" insists upon the necessity of checking and curbing the tendencies toward pure democracy and all this in the interest of freedom. He saw in it a new experiment reversing all the experiences of the past and expressed his fears of the whole people. He feared the extension of the franchise as he feared the mob. Much as we respect these leaders of thought it becomes necessary to say two things: First, democracy has been consistent with a very stable government. It has survived one of the fiercest wars of history and has endured the most excited debates of the world. Again it may be said that democratic America is not deaf to intelligent criticism and no friend of democracy thinks of closing eyes or ears

to the problems developed in the growth of democracy. It is just because these problems are constantly emerging that I regard it important to address myself on this occasion to college graduates who are plunging into a great democracy with all the restlessness of youth.

It may be well to recall that democracy both by definition and by its genius is the perpetual foe of privilege and of all hereditary entailments. Its motto is—liberty, equality and fraternity—but no one need assume that this ideal has been realized how ever powerful the motto may have been in developing sentiment. We are still a people of contradictory emotions and sentiments. Within our own breast the war is on between real democracy and a much cherished ambition. A recent writer has said that he had travelled in nearly every state of the Union and had never seen but one democrat—Walt Whitman. The truth is we are not so democratic as we often pretend to be. We use democracy as a popular cloak to wear over some very unpopular personal traits. We have heard much about the democracy of the primitive American life. It is well to dwell upon this as a matter of patriotic sentiment; nor am I disposed to deny any of the facts. Nevertheless there is some evidence of stratification even in the most primitive life. Real fledged and full grown democracy has no place for class divisions. We should not be blind to the fact that in America we are surrounded by class divisions of every sort. Race prejudice is as rife in many quarters of the country and as deep seated as in the caste systems of India. Very few people are prepared to live up to their creed of democracy any more than they are to some other ideals. We have not yet developed a permanent leisure class in America, but it will probably come if wealth remains permanently in families. The sentiment of America has all been for action and against leisure as evidence of respectability. We have such a pronounced contempt for the permanent loafer who will not work, but who lives by begging, borrowing, stealing or gambling that our men of wealth have hesitated about the propriety of fanning themselves under their own shade trees. American wealth has seen something of the joy of achievement so that men love the amassing of wealth or the building of a great business more than they love the wealth. Added to this, American life has furnished such splendid opportunities for men to give away great wealth to noble and enduring service that the public mind has settled into the conviction that active work and achievement rather than leisure are the goals for real red-blooded, high-minded men.

In spite of the fact that we are all busy the painful truth must be faced. Class divisions do exist. The appeal to passion and class prejudice is not wholly unknown (as it should be) in circles assuming to be intelligent and in persons who would have us believe they are responsible. The capitalist and the laborer may know each other's point of view a little better but the chasm is not yet bridged. In the circles of wealth and of commerce cleavages exist. In the ranks of labor both organized and unorganized there are caste divisions without number. No one can understand some of these divisions unless he is a party interested. It seems only laughable and ridiculous when we discover that the wholesale merchant's wife looks down upon the retail merchant's wife, but they laugh with equal ease when they see a pro-

fessor's wife treat with haughty indifference the wife of an instructor. Mr. Dooley has shown us just as genuine aristocracy on Archie road as on Michigan avenue. The truth is American life is honeycombed with the class spirit hardly consistent with pure democracy. The American public school was intended to be for all alike and yet there are people who can not see it for their children. We hear of the exclusive circles among our people. Indeed "our set" is sometimes very set. This tendency toward social and economic stratification is not the spirit of true democracy. It is to be found in the church as well as elsewhere and yet intelligent students of the New Testament know that the spirit of that book is the spirit of democracy. Personally I believe that the highest achievement of religion in society is democracy, but religion has not yet done its complete work. Here in a State university we are perhaps as democratic in spirit as anywhere. I need not tell you what you already know that we have a constant struggle with ourselves and among ourselves against privilege, class distinctions and artificial classifications that are a discredit to our intelligence. It is an easy thing to proclaim our belief in democracy so long as it serves the purpose of a popular agitation in which we are looking for favors or for an office, but when it comes to living up to our creed then give us the Golden Rule for something easy. So long as the economic, the social, the religious, the industrial and other cleavages are as sharply drawn as at present we may not assume that we have achieved democracy. The ideal underlying this work is too big to be confined to a political campaign. It speaks of comradeship, of brotherhood, of equality before the law. Walt Whitman says in his creed—"I will accept nothing which all may not have their counterpart of on the same terms." Do you suppose for one moment that the millions who will accept this definition of the essentials of democracy would be willing to have it in practice? I think not. But why not?

I think you are now beginning to see that I am not speaking of democracy in any political sense. That is the smallest part of it. Democracy is an ideal not only for governments but for society, for the church and for life. It means a leveling up process. The older civilizations with their harsher forms of government had great wealth and degraded poverty. The well-to-do regarded themselves as guardians of the less fortunate. It was a protest against these extremes together with a rising tide of belief in the rights of the people—such as life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness—that gave birth to modern democracy. With its steady progress of a hundred years, with its heroic struggles, with its splendid achievements, we are forced to acknowledge, we are forced to see, the immeasurable gulf between the multi-millionaire and the abject poverty in too many places. But do not be mistaken. Democracy can not be trans-

lated in terms of either wealth or poverty. Its spirit would upset our ideas of values so as to wipe out some of these extremes. I do not know when this upsetting of values will come but I believe it is on the way. When I sometimes think of the city whose streets are of gold I feel sure of the upsetting of values and emphasize it greatly when I remember that the only place in the United States where gold has been so freely used for public purposes was in Des Moines, Iowa, where they wisely overlaid the dome of the Capitol with it because there it was beyond the reach of the ambitious. However let us hope that democracy some time will be safe in using its gold lower down. In those happy days it will put men and women infinitely above the things they create—even above the immortal products of literature and song. The struggle of the years is for the realization of our inheritance. The greatest teacher and prophet of the centuries says he came that men might have life and have it abundantly. When will we learn that the chief end of life is not wealth or power or government? These things too exist that men may have life. I am proclaiming this message today not only because I believe it, but because I cherish an earnest desire that college-bred men and women of America might catch the spirit of a true democracy and give to their generation a wholesome example of democratic living.



And now, ladies and gentlemen of the Class of 1912, as a parting word I congratulate you upon the achievements that have brought you to this hour. I am so hopeful of young life and its ability to win its way consistent with its own integrity of character that I am disposed to congratulate American life upon the advent of this and other classes from our American colleges. Going into the service of the world with proper humility of spirit, steadfastness of purpose, and a reasonable equipment, there should be no question about your beneficent influence in the several communities where you will be called to serve. The University sends you forth with her benediction and her best wishes. Nothing can bring the University more honor than the fact that you fill your life to the brim with a humanitarian service. If we have given you any inspiration or instruction or guidance that will help you in winning the rewards of service it is a matter of joy to us. The University lives largely for your sake. We look to the future for a complete justification of whatever labor or service has marked the years you have tarried with us.

And finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

The Commencement Music

TO ONE WHO, LIKE MYSELF, has been present at twenty-eight out of the thirty-five commencements, the slow evolution of academic formality has been a subject of great interest. From 1878 (not 1874, as the Lantern had it), when six seniors received their diplomas from the hands of President Orton, to the June day of 1913, when half-a-thousand candidates filed before President Thompson, there has been a mighty expansion of—shall we say fuss and feathers?—at any rate, pomp and circumstance. The caps and gowns, the university procession, the military precision, the uniformed ushers, the presentation by the Deans, have all added their several notes of distinction to the one great ceremony of the college year, and have been generally accepted as proper components of the day's success.

In the matter of appropriate music we have been somewhat slower in reaching the right university level. A quartet of excellent professional singers from Columbus have usually furnished the hymns and a short anthem for the Baccalaureate services; and a half-dozen—also excellent—players have provided a program of light music for Commencement Day. The ideal thing, of course, would be a university trained chorus and orchestra; but with no department of music to furnish these, we have been glad to avail ourselves of competent outside assistance.

This year, however, has marked the beginning

of new things. Professor W. L. Evans, an enthusiastic musical amateur, had charge of the Commencement music, and secured for Baccalaureate Sunday the services of the University Glee Club, thoroughly trained for the occasion by Mr. Alfred R. Barrington. In full academic costume they marched in, singing as a processional "Holy, Holy, Holy;" and "Onward, Christian Soldiers" as a recessional at the close of the exercises. But their most effective number was the old Gregorian Latin hymn "Ecce jam noctis," in a beautiful setting by George W. Chadwick. The sonorous mediaeval Latin was finely delivered, and the effect produced was impressive and appropriate.

For Commencement Day, the Ziegler-Howe orchestra of twenty-five pieces played a first-class program—the best I remember to have heard—selected from the works of Wagner, Elgar, Thomas, Dvorak, Chaminade and Strauss.

Not only in degree, but in kind, was the music this year a decisive step forward; and we may all hope for next year a realization of the plan, which I understand is in mind, for the presentation, during Commencement, of some standard work by a mixed chorus of university voices. Let us not wait for the establishment of a department of music at Ohio State to make use of the abundant material already existing in the University.

JOSIAH R. SMITH.



The Senior Promenade

Passing under the glamour of glowing bulbs that made the campus a path of necklaced lights, 500 young people, for the most part the day's Seniors, attended the closing festivities of commencement week as witnessed in the Promenade of Wednesday night. For the first time the Prom was under the direction of the faculty and was tendered to the graduating class, in lieu of the commencement luncheon abandoned last year. Admittance was by invitation and alumni were barred. President William O. Thompson with Mrs. Thompson headed the receiving line. Others in line to extend a welcome were Messrs. and Mesdames Walter J. Sears, Julius

F. Stone, Professor and Mrs. A. G. McCall, Mr. I. N. Jenkins, president of the senior class, and Mr. V. G. Smith, chairman of the social committee. The enfolding decorations placed in the Armory for commencement week made a charming setting for the pretty gowns. Many were white, a fluttering field for a bewilderment of dainty colors, too. Supper was served for two hours in the lower gymnasium. The walls were in a soft azure and the drapery of white bunting gave a light touch of airiness, half ethereal. There were large shields bearing college emblems. The promenade was in every way a fitting climax to a week of happy memories.

Not on the Program

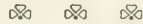
Crushed by the relentless steam-roller and with their signed credentials for seats in the big eats thrown out by the committee, the bolters turned the afternoon of Alumni Day into an orgy of gastronomy and a wild tumult of oratory, in an overflow meeting held at the Coliseum—er—we mean to say the Varsity Inn. There far from the maddening throng that roared at bay within the precincts of Ohio Union, one hundred red-bandana insurgents, raising a battle-cry of fraud, illegality and stuffed delegations, held their own meeting and filled the air with protests, ditties, declarations, witticisms and hardtack. S. S. Freeman, '98, of Parryville, Pa., the T.R. of the movement and an enthusiastic third-termier, beat the tom-toms and

stirred up the animals. Prof. Billy Evans was the lord-high-cockolorum and kept the crowd from getting boisterous and unruly—although a hurry call for the police was narrowly averted. The toast-list was jammed with intellectual fodder. The Conservatives and foes of the people have only to read the official bill of the races to see what they missed—and escaped. These are the spellbinders and their orations: Edward Howard, '94, "Much Ado About Nothing"; Prof. C. A. Bruce, "The Unit Rule or Why the Rump Meeting Didn't Cornt"; Adjutant General Weybrecht, "The Reward of Merit"; Wilby Hyde, '87, "The Influence of Fashion and Tobacco on Joe Taylor."

A company of merry scholars
Upon the woodland green



The Play and the Pageant



“MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING” was presented at the Spring on Tuesday evening by a Company of Merrie Schollers of the Ohio State University,—the girls of the Browning Society. Comparisons are odorous, you know; and this was no more than an average performance; but the average of the plays at the Spring is an average that we are immensely proud of, an average not easy to attain. It is enough to say here that the old charm was renewed, the old music lived again in our sacred grove, the old laughter bloomed again on new young faces of our girls. These plays have become so much a University occasion, so a part of the year's program, and we have come so to consider them as by right belonging to us, that one may become possibly indiscreet or unjust in repeating a very general wish. The credit of these presentations belongs to the girls, and should always belong to them; but this year's pageant has taught us that the women and the men of the University can work together, simply and naturally, and surely to a more rich and complete beauty of presentation. The cast of the plays is now chosen in a competition open to all the girls of the University, and we begin to wish it were open to the men as well. Our plays are so good, you see, that we wish them better yet. Nevertheless, if it is found impracticable to the management, if the inclusion of the men should be found to add too much to the difficulties of these productions, never doubt that we shall continue our pride and joy in the Browning plays.

But even more wonderful than the success of the Ohio Pageant which was presented on the Campus in May, even more wonderful than the memories of the State so vividly and veritably pictured before us, was the comradeship between the men and the women who produced it. We have known nothing finer than the generous rivalry and perfect cooperation between these our men and women. No better justification of a state coeducational institution could be found than we have here proved that absolutely without affectation or sentimentalism, in a free equality, in the only true democracy that exists, our young people of both sexes worked together to a great artistic end, the production of a historical pageant by the whole University. There were five hundred collegians in the pageant, and almost as many more assisting and directing; a larger undertaking than has yet been attempted elsewhere east or west; the pageant itself was of greater scope and swifter inclusion than any yet presented by our colleges; and it was a complete success. The great audience no more than half realized, or not until afterward, what a rare and unreproducible spectacle they saw. There are greater pageants abroad, of course, and here at home on national occasions; but they are not acted by university undergraduates, and one cannot believe they know such spirit and gusto, so swift and rich surprises, such contagion and imagination, as informed our own pageant.

The program of the pageant has already been published in the Quarterly, and, although it was

finer than we planned, there is no space in this crowded commencement number for any detailing of its progress. But one may say at least a word or two. The whole thing, continuous as it was of crowding brilliant details, resolves itself in memory into three broad episodes: first, the Indian period, with the Indian pantomimes and ceremonies interspersed with the three spirit dances; second, the period of the colonial wars, the battle interlude of the French and the English and the Continentals; and third, the opening day of the new Americans, the pioneer games and dances, that led up swiftly to the Marietta procession and then to the stately entrance of the states and the admission of Ohio to the Union. But the pictures were constant and indivisible, and built up one whole. If one should begin to select a fine thing, such as the coming of the French, the old song of the voyageurs and the canoes gliding on the lake, or the blue and buff Continentals deploying into the open green and the thudding volleys of the red British, immediately one's fancy and memory runs on to those other interwoven incidents before and after. One cannot really select.



Half in air, half on earth

And where so many hundreds, so great an orchestra, built up the firm and glowing harmony of the whole, a living, breathing enacting poem, and the very truth of our own life and story, it is impossible to select individual names and accomplishments; nevertheless this notice is unable to refrain from naming two, the presentation of the Indian chief Little Turtle by George Hoskins,

'13, and the fire dance of Sara Salt, '12. The Indian scenes that centered on Mr. Hoskins once and again shocked home to one how this very thing could have been seen, maybe on this very ground,—it was, it was, so it looked and sounded, so the old trees remember it,—the strange barbaric tumult of the tom-toms and the chantings, the strange spectral vivid motion and color of the dances, horrid yet sweet, alien yet instantly familiar,—this too is in our blood and heritage. We drew deeper breath of wonder, wonder after all most at ourselves: we too are a people. The single figure of the Indian chief had at moments absolute verity, as he stood to confront the swift changes of destiny; the real majesty of the lofty plumed figure gave to us that old real thing that had none to see, all those lost heroisms; it was terrible and pathetic, it was tragic and beautiful, and once and again the tears of pride and understanding were in our eyes for what our grandfathers fought as devils of the dark. It was he that made the mute and stately invocation that brought the sudden brilliant apparition of the spirit of the fire. Miss Salt's dance was the most enchanting single episode of the afternoon, yet it remains inseparably part of the whole. It was one of our girls dancing the last dance of her college years; but it was no less the thing itself. So light and elfish was that dance that it seemed her real effort was not to fly away, her real effort was to keep the golden toe-touch down to the sod; half in air and half on earth, it was like a pathos to watch; one forgot the play, the effort and artifice of it; she was fire that beat and beat to escape, to be free, to leap into the blue afternoon, fire, the wild wistful beautiful thing that we have caught and made to serve us, dancing to our eyes, dancing within reach of hand and use, woman to a man.

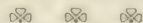
We should not hope for so great a production every year. The expense and the effort were too great to be repeated so often. But one may venture to hope that now and then, say once in the four years of a college generation, the whole University should unite in such a pageant. In the intervening years we shall look to the women of the University, with the good inclusion and assistance of the men, for those more modest but no less beautiful productions of the dances and allegories that have already made so fine a series.

J. R. T., '87.



—Ohio State University counts itself fortunate in adding to its faculty of instruction Forest K. Pence, superintendent in the American Encaustic Tile Works, Zanesville, O., the greatest manufactory of its line in the world. Mr. Pence comes to assume the second position in the department of ceramic engineering, recently made vacant by the resignation of Ross C. Purdy. Mr. Pence received the degree of B. S. (chemistry) in 1907, and that of ceramic engineer in 1909. On graduation from Ohio State, he went at once to the tile company. In a few months he won repeated advances in salary and responsibility. For the last two years he has had charge of the body and glaze department. Mr. Pence had been a teacher before coming to the university, and hence feels the importance of such a call. The fact that he makes a money sacrifice in coming back to teach is evidence of his fitness for the place.

COMMENT AND LETTER



WOMEN AT THE LUNCHEON.

Editor Ohio State Monthly:

I hope I have the proper respect and admiration for the eternal feminine, especially the fair graduates of our own University. In fact, they may not be responsible for the thing I have in mind at all. I am referring to the Alumni Luncheon, to which function I was not admitted, with scores of other brute males, because the tickets were already sold out. I saw old grads who had come across two states to attend the Alumni festivities and yet were unable to get into the banquet hall. And yet I am told there was a fine bevy of amiable young ladies there who came to have a good time and, perhaps, endure the masculine speeches. Many zealous, enthusiastic alumni were disappointed; some held a "rump" convention elsewhere. This condition of affairs ought to be remedied. Hold two banquets, if necessary; one for the men and one for the women. Please, Mr. Committee-on-Seating-of-Delegates, give us men our rights or we'll bolt the ticket.

O. L. H.

A HALL OF FAME.

Editor Monthly:

By the way one suggestion that comes to me, while everyone is talking new dorms, tents, memorial tablets, etc., is the establishment of a Hall of Fame for Ohio State. Certainly she already has enough illustrious sons, or soon will have to justify such a provision and there are many men who have been connected with our alma mater in the past whose good works should be remembered. A Hall of Fame rather than promiscuous tablets scattered here and there would be more in harmony with the importance of the work carried out. Think it over.

With sincere regrets and best wishes to all,
I am,

Faithfully yours,
CHARLES S. POWELL, '93.

REFORMS IN ALUMNI MAGAZINE.

Editor Monthly:

At a recent luncheon held by the New England chapter of the Ohio State University Alumni Association several friendly criticisms of the Alumni Quarterly were discussed.

The following changes in policy were recommended:

That an associate editor from each college be chosen as members of the editorial staff of the Alumni Quarterly.

That the Quarterly contain a resume or summary of the seasons athletics.

That biographies of the professors or distinguished alumni, also resume of publications of any of the faculty or the alumni, be printed from time to time.

The photographs and descriptions of new buildings or changes on the campus would be highly interesting to any alumni.

That each Quarterly contain the permanent addresses of the secretaries of the various alumni chapters.

That the authorities in charge of the publication of "Who's Who" be highly commended for the efficient manner in which this useful volume was produced.

The Secretary,
GEORGE C. GREENER, '06.

Commencement Pranks at McGill

WILLIAM T. MAGRUDER

Professor Mechanical Engineering, Ohio State University.

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES differ in many ways, but possibly in none so much as in the exercises of the commencement season and in the way in which degrees are conferred. Generally speaking, the American system is most dignified, while the English and Canadian system is a burlesque on dignity and the real meaning of the occasion, and such an event as the American student body would resent. Fortunately, there seems to be a tendency to discontinue the more hilarious, boisterous, vulgar and insulting features of the convocation exercises of the Canadian universities, customs which have been inherited from the Scotch and English universities.

The exercises of the Convocation at McGill University were held recently in the auditorium of the Royal Victorian College for Women of McGill University. It seats possibly eight to nine hundred persons on its level floor and three hundred in its rear gallery.

While waiting to form the procession, the students amused themselves with their songs and jokes in their meeting rooms. They were arrayed in black gowns, wore no caps, but with hoods lined with the color of their college (light blue for arts, light yellow for applied science, etc.) and all edged with two inches of white ermine fur of the genus "rabbit."

The parade from the robing rooms was led by the thirty-one young women who were to receive degrees. They were followed by the forty-one men in arts and the ninety-nine men in applied science, fourteen in law, three in dental science, eighteen for master's degrees, five for doctor's degrees and the thirty-three men and four women members of the faculty and invited guests. Although the women entered first, they took the rear-most seats of those reserved for the graduating class. The reason assigned for this sequence is that years ago the women objected to being in front and between the men and the platform, as sometimes missiles, projected by the men students to the platform, failed to get further than their heads or laps, and were not conducive to neat and comely appearances when later they mounted and crossed the platform to receive their degrees. Likewise, the men preferred to have the women behind them, as it shortened the range to the platform.

During the incoming parade, the men and women students yelled and sang college and popular songs. One song ran:

"Where are we going, boys?
Going to the Hamburg Show;
We are going to stick together, boys,
And going to see the whole show through."

This was followed by the "Kangaroo Song." By the time the last of the men students had entered the auditorium, there were two songs being sung (?) to different tunes. In fact, each seemed to be trying to outsing the other. The students' gowns had seen many years of service. One had faded

quite brown and was badly torn. Another had a large piece taken out of the collar.

When the students had taken their seats, they sang

We'll drink the wine tonight,
To McGill, to McGill, to McGill."

The faculty and invited guests then entered, led by the vice-chancellor, Principal H. E. Peterson. It was to be noted that the average age of these thirty-seven persons was upwards of fifty, and that they were a very distinguished and scholarly group of men and women. Most of them wore scarlet or red gowns, with scarlet, red, blue, or green hoods representing many of the great universities of Great Britain and Germany. The spectacle was quite unique and ornate, and should have suggested dignity and decorum. Contrariwise, their entrance was a signal for the yelling of jokes on the members of the faculty.

The head of the department of civil engineering being short of stature, was welcomed by

"Where, oh where, is poor old Bunt?
Where, oh where, is poor old Bunt?
He's gone down to help old Satan.
He's gone down to help old Satan."

The representative of the department of mechanical engineering received a more complimentary bit of attention.

The Order of Proceedings was opened by prayer offered by an Anglican clergyman. To it, the students gave silent and respectful attention.

The Vice-chancellor read a letter from the present. It was punctuated with cries of "Good" and of "Here, here."

Dean Moyes then gave the report of the dean of the Faculty of Arts, in which he complained of the lack of honesty displayed in the certificates for admission from the duly accredited schools, and said that many certificates do not tell the exact truth. He stated that the "tone of McGill College had never been better than it had been this year." This was greeted with a squeaky blast of a horn from among the men students. Dean Moyes replied that "I see that some one has taken a note of it and that the tone of the note has been high. (Applause.) If I may now proceed without note, tone, or sound, etc." (Applause.) He said that the year would be remarkable for two things, first, for the McGill campaign last fall when an endowment of \$1,523,000 was collected in five days in Montreal, between Monday and Friday; and second, the change of the attitude of the student body, which was due in large part to the work of the Student Council. He announced the establishment of a new course in phonetics and of one in argumentation in debating. His "five minute report" took fourteen minutes to deliver. He proved that the year was quite "exceptional" by the fact that thirty-nine persons received "Honours" out of a class of seventy-four in Arts, and that the Prince of Wales Gold Medal had been won this

year for the first time in eight years. It took twenty-three minutes to deliver the honours and confer the degrees on the seventy-four persons. The dean presented the candidate and the vice-chancellor conferred the degree by putting an ordinary all-black, mortar-board cap on the head of the first person while reciting certain words, and over the head of each of the others without the words. No diplomas were given to the Bachelors at this time. Dean Moyes read from the program the complete name of the men, but omitted the middle name of the women. Another dean omitted the entire Christian name and used only the surname.

For the faculty of applied science Dean F. D. Adams, Ph.D. (Heidelberg) read the list of sixty-six honours, prizes, etc., taken by twenty-six men of the ninety-nine who received the degrees this year (same number graduated this year as last). He reported that there had been 554 students this year. That of the ninety-nine, thirty-one were from England, two from Scotland and two from Ireland.

When Dean Adams arose, he was greeted by the singing of "He's a jolly good fellow, which nobody can deny, which nobody can deny. For if they do, they lie," and ending in a hip, hip, hooray yell. His remarks, like those of Dean Moyes, were interrupted with calls and yells. While the dean was trying to read the printed list of names as fast as possible, one fellow yelled out, "Take another breath." "Come on, Steinmetz," greeted an honour man in electrical engineering. "Pull up your skirts, Johnnie," greeted another. Finally the students tried to outyell the dean.

The dean of the faculty of law complained of the requirements of the law that all law students must be articulated to a lawyer before being passed at the bar, that all the members of the law faculty, save one, are practicing lawyers, and that the Harvard Law School had law professors who were paid salaries, whereas the members of the McGill faculty worked for an "illusory remuneration."

The address to the graduating class was by Prof. J. A. Dale, M.A. (Oxon). It was most excellent in matter, helpful in tone and appealed to each member of the class to be true to his Alma Mater and to himself, and to be an honest man. It took six minutes to deliver, kept the attention of the audience, and quieted the spirits of the students.

Before the conferring of the master's and doctor's degrees, each candidate was required to sign his name in the Book of Convocation, he then proceeded to the Vice-chancellor who shook hands with him and presented him with his new diploma encased in a blacked cylindrical tin can.

In addition to the horns, yells, songs and jeers, one novel feature this year was the use of an elective call bell to augment the applause and to punctuate the remarks of the speaker.

The personalities and interruptions were said to be much less objectionable this year than last.

When the Chief Justice of the Superior Court of the Province of Quebec received his honorary degree of LL.D., the students yelled "Speech." He accommodated them. In it he spoke of being "at the bar," and one scamp yelled out "Which one?" He alone of all the persons receiving degrees was further hooded.

The Principal closed the Proceedings by calling the past year the "banner year" of McGill. He said that there had been some co-operation between the faculty and the students, between the teacher and the taught, and also between the city of Montreal and the university. He then stated that while "not all students of McGill favor the library and use it, yet one alumnus had offered to be one of a number to contribute to a million dollar fund for a new library." His parting words were, "After this exultation of superabundance of vitality and now that we have filled you up with knowledge, let us add character and plead for devoted and disinterested service to your country."

The whole exercises lasted two hours, and were somewhat of a burlesque. The tradition to cut up at the Annual Convocation has come down for many years from the traditions of the English and Scotch universities and is part of the fun of the season. All of it appeared good-natured, but there was a soullessness and lack of ideals in it, an exhibition of antagonism between faculty and students which is not so common or apparent in our American colleges. Little respect was shown for the dignity of either the participants or the vocation exercises in which it is said the students used to indulge has been eliminated of recent years. However, the rowdiness during the convocation. This year's convocation is said to have been the "most orderly and quiet" in the history of the institution. It is interesting to notice this example in the evolution of a dignified and scholarly convocation, and the tendency towards decency, decorum and good manners, even if at the expense of the traditions which the Canadian universities seem to be fast outgrowing. The end of such things will come when faculty and scholars get together as fellow students working as men for the same object, when instruction shall no longer be given solely by lecture and laboratory and without recitation, and when text books rather than note books shall be used for instruction.



The B. F. Thomas Memorial

GRADUATES AND FORMER STUDENTS who worked in the physical laboratory under Professor B. F. Thomas, or in the electrical laboratory when he had charge of the Department of Electrical Engineering, have inaugurated a movement to provide a suitable memorial to him. President Thompson has appointed Professors J. E. Boyd, '91, and C. L. Arnold, '90 and '94, as a committee to represent the University and co-operate with the others who are interested in this movement.

A bronze tablet will be placed in the Physics building at Commencement in 1912, and some other recognition. The form is still to be determined, but the memorials will signalize the services rendered by Professor Thomas in developing the course in Electrical Engineering, and in establishing the best equipped laboratory and the most rigid course in electrical measurements to be found in any American university.

Prof. H. A. Weber

1845—1912

HENRY ADAM WEBER, professor in agricultural chemistry, Ohio State University, and widely known as an expert chemist, died at his home in Columbus June 14, after a brief illness from apoplexy. He had not been well for some

months and had not been actively engaged in teaching. He was 67 years old.

Professor Weber was born in Clinton Township, July 12, 1845. He studied at Otterbein University. In 1863 he went to Germany to complete his education and studied at the University of Munich. He was one of the early pupils of the eminent German chemist, Justus von Liebig.

Returning to America, he was given the degree of doctor of philosophy by Ohio State University in 1879. He married Miss Rosa Ober of Landau Palatina, Germany, in 1870.

For several years Mr. Weber served as assistant chemist for the Ohio geological survey and then became professor of chemistry in the University of Illinois. He attracted wide attention by experiments in the manufacture of sugar from sorghum and held several patents.

In 1884 he returned to Ohio and became professor of agricultural chemistry at Ohio State University, which position he held until the time of his death, and in which he achieved much work of note in the field of agricultural and food chemistry. He held the position of chief chemist of the state dairy and food commission from 1884 to 1897.

He was a fellow in the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a member of the Chemical Society and the Ohio Academy of Science. He was the first president of the Columbus Chemical Society and continued in that office several years.

Professor Weber served four years on a committee appointed by Dr. Harvey W. Wiley for the standardization of pure foods, and was the author of a course in qualitative analysis that passed through four editions.

He is survived by his widow and two daughters, Miss Henrietta Weber, Ex '95, of Chicago, and Mrs. Theodore Crocker, Ex '03, of Milwaukee.

Memorial services over the ashes of Prof. Weber were held June 18 at the home, 1342 Forsythe Avenue. Rev. Allen Percy Bissell, rector of

the Church to the Good Shepherd, read the prayers and President W. O. Thompson made a brief address in which he spoke of Prof. Weber's inestimable service to the cause of applied science and of his generosity of heart and integrity of purpose. As a citizen, teacher, scientist and man Prof. Weber won a large place for himself in the esteem of friends and associates. Many university people were present at the memorial services.

Many letters have been received by Mrs. Weber, some from men high in the affairs of university and nation. One is from Harvey W. Wiley of the Bureau of Foods, Sanitation and Health, Washington, D. C., which speaks for itself. It reads:

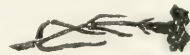
"I just returned to my office today, and find the notice of your husband, my very dearest friend. * * * For a third of a century he was my intimate, personal and scientific, and there was no one in all the range of my acquaintance of whom I thought more, whose uprightness appealed to me more strongly, and whose friendship was more dear."

The following tribute to Prof. Weber was written by Prof. A. M. Bleile, of the University, a close friend and associate:

The death of Professor Henry Adam Weber, Ph. D., which occurred, rather unexpectedly, on Friday, June 14, was a distinct loss not only to his family, to his immediate friends and to the scientific circles with which he was so closely connected, but it was a distinct loss to the whole community.

In his family he was an exemplary father and husband. His friends valued him for his large range of general knowledge which made him an interesting and instructive associate. His sense of humor often so entertaining and his gentle judgment of shortcomings in others endeared him to all. His generosity and hospitality were unbounded and freely extended. The scientific world loses an agricultural chemist trained under master minds and one with a keen insight for problems in his field, in the solution of which he was active and successful though his native modesty and lack of commercialism forestalled that fuller public recognition sometimes given to men of no greater achievements.

The community suffers the loss of a man of high character and of such rugged honesty that sham and deceit under whatever guise were abhorrent to him. His interests were not confined to his immediate circles or subjects, but they extended to all things which had for their object a betterment of human affairs. The life he led will leave an impression of lasting value and extensive influence.



—From far away China comes a letter filled with miniature coins, each worth one-twentieth of a cent, gold, to insure the sending of bulletins and reports issued by the Association. The writer is Walter H. Sinks, Ex. '06, a missionary in Kianfu, Kiangsi Province, China. Mr. Sinks says: "I am enjoying the work and study of the language thus far very much. China is a great, great land and a great republic, too. I often think of the good old times at Ohio State. Two of my class of '06,—out of many I hope—are working for the Master, H. E. Ewing in South America, and I here in China."

Three scenes from the
Pageant-Story of the State



Some Facts About the Summer School

THE PRESENT REGISTRATION in the summer session is 562 as compared with a total registration in 1911 of 736. Paradoxical as it may seem, this is relatively an increase. In proportion to what is offered the attendance is larger than ever before. The last legislature in amending the general appropriation bill, reduced the appropriation for the 1912 summer session from \$10,000 to \$5,000, one-half the amount appropriated in 1911. The summer session board was compelled to choose between discontinuing this work altogether and greatly reducing the amount of work offered. The latter plan was decided upon. All courses not strictly college credit courses were discontinued in addition to twenty credit courses. The number of instructors was reduced in proportion. In 1911 there were one hundred and eighteen courses and the equivalent of fifty full time instructors; in 1912 there are eighty-five courses and thirty-six instructors. The incidental fee was changed from \$6 to \$8, and since only college credit courses were offered, the entrance requirements were made the same as those of the regular sessions of the University.

A careful calculation based on the number of students enrolled in the thirty-three courses offered in 1911 but not given in 1912 will account for a registration loss of approximately two hundred and thirty. Had these courses not been offered in 1911, the registration would have been approximately 510, a gain for 1912 of more than 50.

This estimate may be checked by calculations based upon the statistics already given. In 1911 there were six and one-fourth times as many students as courses offered while in 1912 there are six and one-half times as many. In 1911 there were fourteen and seven-tenths times as many students as instructors, while in 1912 there are fifteen and six-tenths times as many.

The effect of the entrance requirements, imposed for the first time, and of the increased registration fee can not be accurately determined. Reports from the departments indicate that the scholarship average is higher than ever before and that the students are more nearly uniform in preparation. It may be interesting to note here the registration by colleges which is as follows: Agriculture, 54, Arts 178, Education 119, Engineering 111, Graduate School 71, Pharmacy 6, Veterinary Medicine 2, Auditors 13.

The University can accommodate a great many more summer session students. There is a growing and insistent demand for summer instruction and for courses not now offered. The state should not, in face of this demand, permit its valuable public investment to remain idle even in part during three months of the year.

K. D. SWARTZEL. '93.



The Bellows Portrait

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painter's just recompense. The workman is worthy of his hire; here is a great workman, here is a labor of love.

For the portrait itself is nothing else. It is extremely open and direct of technique and intention; it gives us the man himself, a bold and dramatic presentation, without episode or accessory;

one has rarely known such clear sincerity. What you get from the painting is the sheer vivid human presence; a divine of the old school, grayer indeed than when his voice was the President's and spoke the old sonorous eloquence here at the University, but just as he spoke to us on his return two years ago. It is only afterwards that one comes to notice the immense ease and sureness, the sympathy and enjoyment, of the painting itself. To us it is the man we knew. To the University a perpetual and personal memorial; but what we are likely to lose sight of is that its final value transcends these limits: it is a great portrait. It is more rare than buildings or equipment. One dares even say that it is even more rare than good professors, yes, than good presidents. One wonders how many of us realize it, that the mere possession of this portrait makes the University just so much more a university; and that it is no figure of speech or enthusiasm of loyalty to say that this, with those other admirable portraits, will make the University, actually, literally, a shrine for pilgrimages. The Nation has collections, the State its gallery of governors; these are history; here, so fortunate are we, so rich beyond our deserts, is the thing that we call art.

With the completion of the new library we shall have noble spaces for paintings; there should the three portraits be hung, the Walcott portrait of William Henry Scott, and the Bellows portraits of James Hulme Canfield and Walter Quincy Scott. No inferior canvas, of whatever historical interest, should be allowed to hang beside them. Consciously or not, the University has adopted a standard to which it must conform; if it is indeed a university, it must accept nothing that has not the high sincerity and beauty of these paintings; if it is indeed a university, it must so learn and so teach the meaning and the use of life.

J. R. T., '87.



Earnings of College Graduates

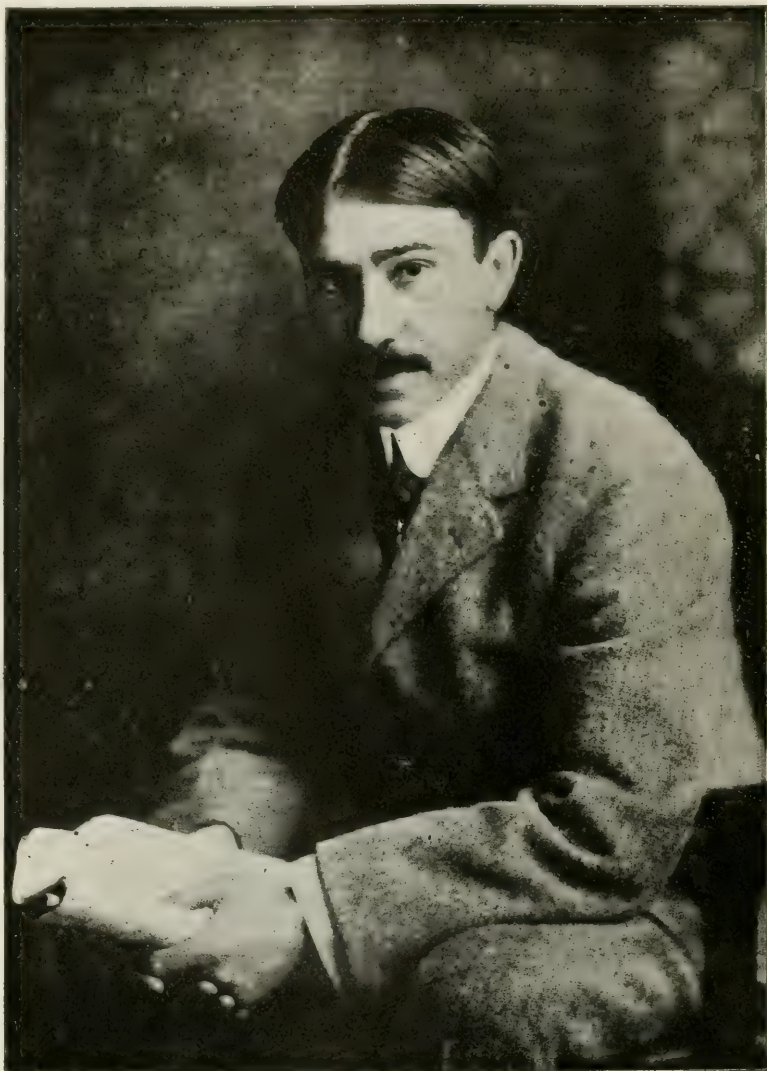
THE DECENNIAL RECORD of the class of 1901 of Princeton University, just issued, shows that the average income of members of the class ten years after graduation is almost \$4000.

The average income for the first year is \$706.14, and the average increase through the succeeding years is steady with incomes from law, business and medicine increasing more rapidly than those from other pursuits.

The average income of teachers after ten years was \$1779; of clergymen, \$1714; of physicians, \$3094; lawyers, \$4994, and in business, \$4684.

The average in law and medicine is probably higher than the average incomes of lawyers and physicians in general. How much of this depends on the Princeton training, and how much on the original resources or social position of those from whom the class was recruited must be a matter of conjecture.

The frankness of those business men and lawyers who made reports on incomes the amount of which only themselves could know, is to be considered. Men of average income are not apt to underestimate their earnings, especially when a comparison is to be made with those of their fellows. All that aside, the report of the record of the class must be gratifying to advocates of university training.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.



RALPH D. MERSHON

Former President Ohio State University Association.

MR. MERSHON has recently been made President of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, which held a convention in Boston late in June. He is bringing the same enthusiastic, intelligent direction and progressiveness into this organization that characterized his work as the man behind the Alumni Forward Movement at Ohio State.

See article on opposite page

Ralph Davenport Mershon

AN APPRECIATION



THE PAST TWO YEARS have been epoch-making years among the alumni of Ohio State University. In no other period in the history of the University has there been manifest such interest and enthusiasm on the part of the alumni as that which dates from the election of Ralph D. Mershon to the presidency of the association. It was a doubtful honor to confer upon a man,—the presidency of an organization that had been in a state of lethargy for several years. It seemed impossible to arouse any interest in the organization. The association held its annual meeting, but did nothing more. Year after year it listened to the reports of its officers, quibbled over a few unimportant details, elected new officers and adjourned. The attendance at these meetings was always a mere handful and consisted largely of resident alumni, who came to the meeting more from a sense of duty than from any real interest in the organization. It was a rare thing to see at any of these meetings more than a half dozen people who had come out of town. The membership of the association of less than nine hundred graduates of the University. All of these were life members, but the association itself lacked life. It had little interest in the University, and less in its own members.

When Ralph Mershon was elected to the presidency of the association, he took up the work with the same energy and interest with which he would undertake an engineering problem. True to his engineering genius, he realized what a tremendous power the "output" of the University could be, if organized and directed into proper channels,—a power not only for the good of the University, but for the members of the association as well. He studied the situation carefully from every point of view and thought the proposition through to the end. Then with his characteristic directness and determination he set about the colossal task of reviving interest among the alumni of the University. Immediately on his election, he called together a number of the local members of the association and talked over his plan with them. His method of procedure seemed simple and efficient and he soon had enlisted in the cause, a goodly number of wide-awake people, who were ready to follow his lead.

Mr. Mershon's enthusiasm was contagious. A new organization sprang up from the ashes of the old association, and interest in the new order of things spread rapidly not only from coast to coast, but beyond the seas. People who had not been heard from for years suddenly began to realize that they belonged to old Ohio State. The re-awakening was marvelous and almost beyond belief.

The first year of Mr. Mershon's administration was given to the machinery or organization. The old constitution was inadequate to meet the new scheme of organization, and much time and many revisions were necessary to satisfy the whims of the committee on constitution. The new constitution introduced some radical changes. First, it made a place in the organization for former students as well as graduates; second, it provided for a Board

of Directors, which would be responsible for the carrying on of the association work; third, it created a Board of Visitors, which in the estimation of the promoters of the enterprise, was one of the most important features of the new scheme. This Board of Visitors is a representative body, chosen from the graduates of the various colleges. Its principal function is to keep in touch with all phases of university life, to recommend to "the powers that be" important changes in university matters that would make for the general good,—in a word, it is the channel through which the will of the alumni may be expressed most effectively. Lastly, the new constitution provided for a permanent secretary, who should devote his entire time to the work.

After framing a constitution adequate to meet the new order of things, the next problem, and perhaps the most important of all, was the providing of funds to make the new organization possible. The committee in charge of soliciting these funds proved themselves equal to the task, and even surprised themselves in the amount of money that they found would be forthcoming if necessary, to make the undertaking successful. All of these changes received the hearty endorsement of the old association at its annual meeting. Old "life members" gladly assumed the responsibilities of the new association, and the new organization was declared in operation. Mr. Mershon was re-elected president.

During the second year of his administration, Mr. Mershon's attention was given to organizing the alumni both inside the state and outside as well. The establishment of a general reunion day, to be known as Ohio State Day was an innovation. December 1st was selected as the date. Hundreds of loyal sons and daughters of the University assembled in some fifty reunion centers and pledged anew loyalty to Alma Mater and her interests. The results of these meetings bore fruit in active memberships in the association, which is at present more than double the membership of the old association.

Another idea, originating with Mr. Mershon and carried out under his direction, was the publication of a Who's Who in the association, together with a mercantile and professional directory. This volume was to be the means by which Ohio State men and women might be able to serve each other. The book was compiled in the early spring and was distributed to the members of the association in May of this year. It is a four hundred page volume, and gives a clear and concise statement of what each member of the association has accomplished since he left the University.

There are other things that must not be forgotten,—the Patriarchs' Reunion a year ago, the class suppers and class reunions at commencement time and the home-comings to the old campus that have followed the revival of interest in the life of the University.

All of these things have been made possible by the energy and devotion of one man. Few people realize the time, the patience, the personal attention that Ralph Mershon has given to the multitude of

details that have attended the development of this association. For two years he has kept in closest touch with every phase of the work, most of which has been carried on under his direct supervision. He has given most generously and unselfishly of his time and strength and means in the support of the work. To him the alumni and former students of the University extend this word of gratitude and sincere thanks. The old grad and the new as well as all former students of the University join in this expression of hearty appreciation to Ralph Davenport Mereshon,—the man who does things.

A PATRIARCH.



Cleveland Alumni Make Merry

BEEFSTEAK AND ORATORY engaged the attention of a goodly number of enthusiastic members of the Cleveland Ohio State Association, which held a celebration Friday night, June 14. After supper they were in a receptive humor to hear Secretary H. S. Warwick emphasize the good points of the Ohio State Association. Sixteen applications for membership were handed to him and all pledged fealty to the best interests of the University.

Among those present were the following men: George E. Hagenbuch, L. '03, who advises all embryonic attorneys to beware of the Forest City, in which statement he was most solidly backed by E. J. Warrick, L. '09, Don P. Mills, Ex. '05, an attorney who will be a candidate for the State legislature in the fall; Thomas H. Jones, L. '11, the hustling secretary; Ben Davis, L. '10, former baseball favorite, and F. M. Secrest, known in the days not far remote as Heston on the football field and Sec on the campus; R. R. Powell and J. B. Considine, V. '09, who are in business for themselves; W. B. Pritz, E. '09, F. H. Shaffer, E. '10, and A. L. Hopkins, E. '11, who are chemists. H. J. Wilson, L. '08, H. T. Belknap, L. '06, H. M. Wilson, L. '11, J. G. Cameron, L. Ex. '01, are engaged in more lucrative pursuits than the legal profession. Dr. H. H. Brelsford, A. '98, is an oculist; B. C. Parrett, B. Sc. '02, is a real estate broker; D. T. Lavlin, E. '05, and Ford Donley, B. Sc. '09, are sales-engineers, while George B. Gascoigne, C. E. '10, former manager of the football team, is a sanitary engineer.

The guests were Prof. A. H. Tuttle of the law department; H. S. Warwick of the Association, and L. T. Sherwood, a graduate of Swarthmore College.



Alumni Celebration at Michigan

The writer is a graduate of Ohio State of the class of '10 and a by-product of Michigan University, class of '72. Having taken part in the celebration of the second anniversary of the graduation of Ohio State's class of '10 and also in the other alumni exercises of the week, and having been a sympathetic onlooker at the commemoration exercises of Michigan's jubilee year, a contrast of the alumni reunions of the two sister institutions might be of interest to alumni readers. Ohio State had

made no special attempt to have a "best yet" reunion on this, the 39th anniversary of the University, while Michigan had bent every effort to make this year's reunion and celebration superb. Michigan succeeded. Michigan has 30,000 alumni. Thirty-five hundred of them were back on the campus to rejoice with their Alma Mater in her jubilee. Every alumnus wore a button on which were the class numerals of the wearer. Many of the classes made vigorous and partly successful attempts to make their side show demonstrations overshadow the big tent exercises. For instance, the class of 1902 was much in evidence with linen dusters and white cloth hats and with auto-trucks in the daytime and Roman candles at night. The classes in reunion at State this year were satisfied with a few songs, some good life histories and a few lawn parties. Commemoration day at Michigan was a great day.

The officers of the University, representatives of other universities, and the home-coming alumni and this year's graduates filed two abreast over the campus as on dress parade, winding up finally under the giant circus tent where the addresses of the day were delivered.

Lawrence Maxwell, an alumnus, was the orator of the day. Three college presidents responded to the address of Mr. Maxwell. Our Prexy Thompson was the last speaker on the program and in spite of the restlessness of the audience, occasioned by the heat, Dr. Thompson held his hearers to close attention as he made a response for the state universities of the country. When Dr. Thompson referred to Former President Angell, who sat on the platform at the time, as the St. John of state university presidents, the alumni made a demonstration more vigorous and sincere than one can see outside of a national political convention. While Ohio State has not the size nor the age of Michigan, yet to see the president of one university on the platform beside the other leading educators of the land and to hear him speak with the force and enthusiasm he did, made a Scarlet and Gray man proud to acknowledge himself a son of Ohio State.

The enthusiasm of the Michigan alumni is worth going across a state to see. It is evidence of the keen loyalty Michigan men have for their institution.

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Progress of Athletics at Ohio State

GEORGE W. RIGHTMIRE, '95

President of the Athletic Board



AFTER THE ORGANIZATION of the athletic board in February last, committees were appointed made up of members of the Board, each committee to have charge of one of the departments of athletics. In this manner athletics was conducted during the remainder of the year, and withal very successfully. A committee system of course means divided responsibility, no one having entire charge of the situation, but nevertheless the athletes and all of the athletic constituency seemed to be well satisfied with the manner in which athletics was conducted.

The very large duty of the new Athletic Board was to select a director and manager of athletics and provide for the coaching of all athletic teams. A long investigation ensued in which a large number of names was considered and many conferences held by the committee having that matter in charge. After thorough investigation and study of the situation the athletic board chose Mr. John R. Richards of the University of Wisconsin as athletic director, and Mr. L. W. St. John of Ohio Wesleyan University as manager of athletics. Mr. Richards also to coach football and track athletics and Mr. St. John to coach baseball and basket ball. Mr. Richards' duties also include entire direction of intramural athletics, at present comprising interclass, interclub and interfraternity baseball and tennis; while Mr. St. John's duties in addition to the coaching include the business management of the various branches of athletics.

The alumni may be interested in a short statement of the facts concerning these two men who are to have charge of Ohio State athletics beginning in September, 1912.

Mr. Richards is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin of 1897, and thereafter taught in Shurtleff College, and in various High Schools including Dubuque High School, the Colorado Springs High School, and the High School at Butte, Montana. In all of these places Mr. Richards coached the football teams, and in some of them track teams also, and had remarkable success. While located at Colorado Springs he also had charge of the football team of Colorado College. In 1911 he came back to the University of Wisconsin to have charge of competitive athletics, and met with great success in coaching football in the fall of 1911, and the baseball team in the spring of 1912 was almost uniformly victorious. While in college he was an athlete of high quality, and has always made a careful study of the details of football and track athletics and the handling of athletes and comes to Ohio State with the very highest recommendations not only for ability as a coach and trainer, but also for the highest type of sportsmanship.

Mr. L. W. St. John was a student at Ohio State University for a portion of the year 1900 and played halfback on the football team at that time. He was forced to leave school on account of his father's death, and a year or two later was engaged to teach in the Fostoria High School and also have charge

of the football team. Later he went to the University of Wooster as a teacher and also as coach of all branches of athletics, remaining there seven years turning out remarkably successful teams. He then went to Ohio Wesleyan University, having charge of athletics to the spring of 1912, and actively coached football, basketball, and baseball in that University. He also at both Wooster and Ohio Wesleyan had charge of the business matters relating to athletics, and showed great ability in that line. The athletic board and the student body generally feel that in choosing Mr. Richards and Mr. St. John the situation will be as well taken care of as is possible.



In providing for an organization with two men it became necessary to dispense with the services of Mr. Farrell, who for two years and a half had been the track coach and general trainer of athletes, and in that capacity had shown himself to be unusually able. It was with great regret that the athletic board reached this conclusion, and only a careful study of the whole situation and its needs showed that such action was presumably for the best interests of athletics as a whole. A slight token of the appreciation of Mr. Farrell was given to him by the athletic board in the way of a bonus of \$300, making his salary for the year \$2000; and on the part of the student body a large and handsome silver loving cup appropriately engraved, along with a voluntary contribution collected at the Big Six meet amounting to \$129, were given to Mr. Farrell.

The members of the various teams had become greatly attached to Mr. Farrell and he had labored earnestly in their behalf, and the parting was keenly felt by everyone. A man of Mr. Farrell's capacity, however, is always in demand, and before the 1st of June he had been called to the University of Michigan to take up the training of all athletes and the active coaching of the track team, a position which in many ways is much superior to the one which he held at Ohio State.

The work of the track team in the season just closed has been of very high class. Outdoor dual meets were held with Ohio Wesleyan University and with Oberlin in the latter part of April, and both were defeated. On the 4th day of May the Notre Dame track team came to Ohio State University for a dual meet, and they were also defeated by the close score of 59 to 58. Notre Dame for years has been a leading school in track athletics, and the spirit of the Ohio State team and the skill of Mr. Farrell's coaching were never shown to better advantage than in that meet.



The so-called Big Six meet has taken place annually since 1903, and is conducted by the Intercollegiate Athletic Association made up of the ath-

letic associations of Oberlin, Case, Western Reserve, Wooster, Ohio Wesleyan, Kenyon, Miami, Cincinnati, and Ohio State, and in the nine meets held before 1912, Oberlin had won the championship three times and Ohio State six times. Last year the Meet was featured by the two-mile event in which the great runner Baker of Oberlin was competing against the two-mile runner Wikoff of Ohio State, and at that time Wikoff not only won the race but also established the mark of 9:45 for the event. This year the competition was not such as to force Wikoff to extend himself, and although he had to make his own pace almost throughout the entire event, he succeeded in lowering the record to 9:44. Ohio State won this meet also by a wide margin, thus establishing a record of winning seven out of the ten meets which this Association has held.



At the great Olympic meet at Stockholm, Sweden, this summer, Ohio State has two representatives; Wikoff will participate in the 5000 meter race and the 3000 meter relay race, while Cooke will participate in the 200 and 400 meter events. Both were successful in the preliminary try-outs in Chicago early in June, Wikoff there representing Ohio State University, and Cooke, although an Ohio State student, representing the Cleveland Athletic Club. Abroad Cooke will also run under the colors of the Cleveland Athletic Club, while Wikoff will run under the colors of the Ohio State University, although Ohio State will claim whatever results the two men accomplish in that high class competition. Their ability is a tribute to Mr. Farrell's skillful training and coaching, each of them having been under his care for more than two years.



Baseball was fairly successful in the season just closed. Mr. Baird, pitcher on the team of 1911, acted as coach, and Mr. Raymond, a graduate, assisted occasionally. The facilities for baseball at Ohio State are very inadequate, and it is hoped that in 1913 proper seating capacity may be had, and interest in the game may be established. Mr. St. John is very hopeful for the future of baseball at Ohio State.

In tennis, intercollegiate competition was entered into upon a greater scale than ever before, although as far as winning is concerned, Ohio State made rather a mediocre record. The team met tennis teams of the University of Minnesota, University of Michigan, Kenyon and Oberlin Colleges, and Ohio Wesleyan University.



On May 31st, 1912, the Intercollegiate Conference of Faculty Representatives, generally known as the Western Conference, unanimously voted to admit Ohio State University as a member of that Conference. This will place Ohio State in active athletic competition with the Universities of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Chicago, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Purdue, and Northwestern, and schedules will be made for contests beginning in the winter of 1912-1913. The football schedule for 1912 was completed before Ohio State University was admitted to the

Western Conference, and it does not include any Western Conference colleges. The Ohio State team next fall will meet in football Otterbein, Miami, Cincinnati, Michigan, Kenyon, Case, Pennsylvania State College, Ohio Wesleyan, and Michigan Agricultural College.



With the new athletic organization more commodious quarters are needed, and the Board of Trustees has very generously set aside the house on the campus occupied for a number of years by Professor Thomas and his family as a residence. This is now being remodelled inside and outside to accommodate the offices of the Director and Manager of Athletics, to provide equipment rooms and general training quarters, and hereafter it will be the center of athletic activity. This will not only afford relief to athletic interests, but will also help the situation in the gymnasium which has long been overcrowded.

The new organization for the management and coaching of athletics is believed to be rightly constituted, and the personnel is regarded as of the very best. Long experience, however, has discouraged Ohio State enthusiasts from exercising the gift of prophecy, so that what will be accomplished under the new regime is not attempted to be set forth. However, there is a feeling of general satisfaction and of genuine enthusiasm and hopefulness for the future.



Miscellaneous Notes

—Ray Arms, M. E. '12, has gone to Republic, Pa., where he is employed as chemist in the laboratory of the Republic Iron and Steel Company. While in college Mr. Arms was prominent in dramatic and musical organizations.

—Prof. F. M. Marshall of the Department of Animal Husbandry, has accepted an invitation to the University of California in a similar position. Prof. Marshall was one of the best known judges of live stock in the state.

—The wedding of Miss Charlotte Franklin Montgomery of Columbus and Harry Arthur Dunn, enrolled at the University in 1907, took place July 2 in the Church to the Good Shepherd, Columbus, Ohio. Mr. Dunn is a member of Delta Tau Delta. They will live in Columbus.

—Mr. and Mrs. Homer LeRoy Eicher (Edith Dick) of Seattle, Wash., are making a visit with Mrs. Eicher's parents, Judge and Mrs. N. W. Dick, Columbus, Ohio. This is Mrs. Eicher's first visit home since her marriage last year. Mr. Eicher is a former engineering student and Mrs. Eicher is an alumna of Arts, '07.

—Don Parmenter Mills, who came within a half year of graduating at the University, is the Democratic nominee for the Ohio legislature from Cuyahoga County. His friends say he is in sympathy with Ohio State progressive plans, and will doubtless work hard in the interests of Ohio State should he be elected. While in college Mr. Mills was prominent in the Stroller plays.

Just Between Ourselves

YOU AND THE MONTHLY.

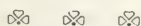
THIS IS THE FIRST issue of the new Ohio State Monthly, in other words the Quarterly rechristened and refurbished. It is to be the organ of the alumni and former students, their paper, in which will be reflected not only the events that transpire on the campus, but also the activities and happenings that mark the busy careers of all the grown-up sons and daughters of Ohio State in the wide world outside. We are a big family now, and we are going to grow bigger. Lest we forget, all of us need to catch a glimpse of the old lays once in a while and to renew the friendships of our college years. The Monthly, then, is to be a remembrance, a market-place for things we would all like to know.

And yet it is to be more than a nimble-tongued visitor, more than a "those-were-the-happy-days" sentimentalist. There are many far-reaching things to be done at Ohio State. In these the alumni can help. The Monthly hopes to enlist their earnest sympathy and co-operation in the great tasks that face the University. We must have a larger Association of men and women pledged to support the progressive policies of the future. Among these may be new dormitories and buildings, athletic pre-eminence, higher standards of scholarship, a finer college sentiment, an enlightened appreciation of the things the University is trying to do. The reunion of last December revealed the inherent strength of the Alumni once they meet in a common cause—the love of Alma Mater. This was largely an Ohio affair; it should be nation-wide in its scope. And it will be, if every alumnus and former student works, thinks, serves for the good of all. The purpose of the Association is to gather and to mobilize this scattered force. Will you do your share?

Already great strides have been made under the spirited direction of Ralph Mershon, an enthusiastic, capable, large-hearted leader. The mantle of the presidency has fallen upon H. E. Payne, another alert man of affairs, who will give the work his most devoted service.

You are his lieutenants. Will you be stragglers or an advance guard? Will you march to the music of fife and drum or will you seek your ease in the rear of the ranks?

The very first thing you can do, alumnus, is to show how keenly you are interested in the Monthly. That will also show how much you are really interested in the University and in the Association. We want your support and your sympathy if we are to make this magazine worthy of its name. Write the editor about your work and about your friends; let us have your views on what is going on around the campus; keep us informed of your alumni gatherings. The Monthly depends upon you, you, you for its success.



COMMENCEMENT MEMORIES.

IN MANY WAYS the commencement season at Ohio State this year was a notable one. In the first place the weather was never more gracious nor the campus lovelier in its bright spring

greenery. Into this ideal setting came trooping back the old grads to renew fond acquaintances and to see again their younger brothers called into the larger tasks of life. The week was inspiring, joyous, crowded with golden memories.

Many of the visitors saw Ohio Union for the first time. Here they assembled in their reunions, chatted under the shade of the canvas that cast the wide portico into a kindly shade, or exchanged reminiscences as they dined in state below stairs. To see their smiling faces was enough. All the old grads were enjoying themselves hugely, royally in this new home of theirs. In the Armory other surprises awaited them. Indeed, a new admiration waited upon scores of Ohio State people who have seen many commencements march through a week in June. The Armory had been converted into a revelation of beauty in its stretching panels of blue and white, set off by the arching network of palms and branches. Overhead the girders and gymnasium apparatus had been transformed into a veritable arbor of grape leaves that coiled around the unsightly beams in clusters of green. And in the center of the great hall a fountain splashed during the evening festivities. The Senior Promenade, held Wednesday night, was a beautiful picture, seldom duplicated on the campus.

For the artistic arrangement of the Armory and for the working out of many of the details incident to Commencement Week, Ohio State people owe a meed of thanks to Prof. A. G. McCall, 1900, who has been in charge of the plans.

Another noteworthy event of the week was the presence of Dr. Thompson as the commencement speaker, a distinction in which the class of 1912 may take considerable pride. Dr. Thompson's address possessed his usual earnestness of conviction and fine poise of mind—indeed he surpassed even himself, in the estimation of many.

The appearance of the Glee and Mandolin Clubs, who postponed their departure from college to participate in the commencement program, was another enjoyable innovation that made this commencement peculiarly an Ohio State affair, not dependent upon borrowed talent.

The Browning play in Shakespeare Hollow, the Alumni Luncheon and the rousing enthusiasm in the new Ohio State that is to be, also contributed much to the gayety of the week.

Another innovation, however, seems imperative to keep step with the increasing proportions of graduating classes. This year the arduous task of conferring diplomas to a class of 500 and more, left its burden of weariness on faculty, graduates and friends. Here is a suggestion. In the future it would result in an economy of time and likewise prevent unnecessary confusion if the degrees might be conferred as candidates arise in their places—a practice in vogue at Eastern universities—allowing the graduates to call for their diplomas at the office of the Secretary or elsewhere following the commencement ceremonies. The commencement luncheon was abandoned several years ago because of the inability to deal with the multitudes. The tedious routine of awarding degrees and diplomas may have to be curtailed for the same reason.

—Judge John A. Schauck, professor of law, and his daughter, Miss Helen Schauck, have gone to the Adirondacks, where they will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank N. Hammond.

Round Robin

EDITOR'S NOTE—This is a department devoted to the activities of alumni and former students. It is what you will make it. All notes and clippings regarding marriages, deaths, births, changes in occupation and address, personal items, experiences, reminiscences and the like should be sent to the editor so as to reach him not later than the first day of each month. Jot down these items about your friends and what they are doing, all of you. Let's make this department breezy, interesting and informing.

☞ Miscellaneous Notes

—In an automobile collision that followed close upon the heels of the senior promenade—the last event of Commencement Day—Frank P. Quigley of Sistersville, West Virginia, who received his degree in the Engineering college this year, sustained injuries that resulted in his death in a Columbus hospital the next day. Six companions, occupants of the auto, were hurt in the crash. After the end of the festivities Wednesday night, Mr. Quigley, accompanied by his cousin, Miss Mary Quigley, a commencement guest from Sistersville, Miss Margaret Riley, an Ohio State student from Columbus, Miss Margaret Devereaux, '11, Alliance, Louis Smith, '12, New Brighton, Pennsylvania, Bernard Weisz, a student who drove the machine and H. H. Hollencamp, Dayton, a law student, all boarded a machine to take a spin in the cool night air. They autoed through Worthington to the summit of Worthington hill. Turning they sped down the hill on the homeward trip. The machine hit a rut, skidded, and crashed into a telephone pole. The injured were brought to Columbus on a special C. D. & M. car. At Mt. Carmel Mr. Quigley was found to have sustained a fractured skull and internal injuries. His cousin, Miss Mary Quigley, suffered five fractures of the right arm and her left ankle was broken and her knee sprained. The rest of the party received minor bruises. The news of the death of her son caused Mrs. Quigley to collapse. She had come to Columbus for the Commencement. All of the students were members of the Newman Club, the Catholic organization of the University.

—At the commencement exercises of his alma mater, the University of Rochester, Benjamin L. Bowen, '81, Professor of Romance Languages at Ohio State, received the honorary degree of doctor of letters in recognition of his services as teacher, linguist and scholar.

—S. D. Newton, C. E. '95, is assistant engineer, Southern Railway Company, Greensboro, N. C.

—Many Ohio State people are unaware of the fact that Hugh Fullerton, baseball expert, acknowledges allegiance to Ohio State University. As "Ching" he was best known to the home people of Hillsboro and to comrades who knew him during the one year he spent at the University. That was in 1891. Following his brief college career, Fullerton worked on a country weekly and then broke into baseball as a sporting writer under Comiskey's regime in Chicago. In a recent number of the American Magazine, appears a character sketch of this man who has seen 3561 games of ball, and scored 178,569 putouts, 98,562 assists, 14,442 stolen bases and 3987 double plays. Says Grantland Rice, author of the article:

"Fullerton is a vital part of baseball. The game has produced but one Wagner, one Anson, one Mathewson, one Lajoie, one Cobb—and one Hugh S. Fullerton.

"There are others who have seen as many games—who have watched these games as closely. But there have been few others with all of this who have had as keen an insight into the spirit of both play and player and who have achieved deductions with so much skill and keenness—we have excavated as deeply beneath the surface for all of importance that might lie below the obvious and who have applied the result of these excavations to the general trend of the contest."

—Colleges and universities from Maine to California will be represented by the 250 young women who will be in Columbus Aug. 12-16 in attendance at the tenth annual convention of the Delta Delta Delta Sorority. The business sessions will be held in Ohio Union on the university campus. Incidental to the convention will be many social affairs. Perhaps the largest will be a garden party on the afternoon of Aug. 15, on the University campus, near the spring. There will be an informal reception Aug. 12, in the evening, at Ohio Union. A theater party will be given at one of the local theaters on the evening of Aug. 13, and a banquet at the Southern Hotel is on the program for the evening of Aug. 16. The Columbus Automobile Club will supply 50 or 60 cars, in which to show the young women about the city. A daily paper will be published during the convention and a nursery and kindergarten maintained for the alumnae members who have little ones. A trained kindergarten will be in charge of the youngsters so that their mothers need have no fear they are at the convention. The 36 chapters of the sorority represent a membership of 2000.

—Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Prendergast, of Laferty, Ohio, a baby girl, who has been named Marie. Mrs. Prendergast was formerly Miss Mignon Poste, A. '06, while Mr. Prendergast attended Ohio State from '02 to '06, but did not wait for a degree.

—David F. Coyner, V. '11, veterinarian in employ of the Bureau of Agriculture, Manila, Philippine Islands, writes an interesting letter full of his experiences. He says among other things: "Some time ago I read the letter of an alumnus in Florida, in which he talked about a district where a large percentage of the white population came from Ohio State. I wish to state that where I have been located, not only a large percentage of the white population is from Ohio State, but 100 per cent. of the English speaking population as well. I was among the wild tribes known as Igorotes. Not only were they unable to speak English, but Spanish as well. I was stationed some four days' hike over mountain trails. The only white man I saw in the two and a half months of my stay there was an internal revenue collector."

—Harvard University, with a productive fund of \$25,000,000 and an income from its investments of \$2,500,000 a year is probably the richest educational institution in the country. It holds solid stocks and bonds to the value of \$17,000,000 and owns some of the best real estate in Boston and its suburbs, deriving therefrom a substantial income. Besides being the richest, Harvard is also the oldest institution of its kind in the country having been founded in 1636, only six years after the settlement of the colony. It began with an appropriation of \$4000 made by the colony in three sums for the support of a "schoale or colledge," the spelling indicating a state of literacy to justify the effort. Three years later, Rev. John Harvard gave to the college \$3500 and was immortalized by having the college named for him. The merchants of Boston and others added to the funds of the college till in 1874 it had an endowment of \$1,000,000. In 1880, the endowment had grown to nearly \$4,000,000 exclusive of buildings, equipment and grounds. The increase in the last thirty-two years is extraordinary and doubtless would amaze the man who spelled so badly two hundred and seventy-five years ago.

—It isn't everybody who has the privilege of riding and tete-a-teteing with Olympic athletes—especially the Ohio boys, Clement Cooke and Garrett Wikoff, our very own. H. E. Payne, alumni president, writes, however, that he happened to be on the same train that took the track men from Columbus to New York on their way to Stockholm, where they will participate in the international contests. Before sailing Wikoff gave a large share of the credit for his past track achievements to Steve Farrell, Ohio State trainer until recently, and to the loyal men on the bleachers who cheered him on to his pluckiest bursts of speed.

—C. W. Dille, L. '99, is an attorney with offices in The Arcade, Cleveland, Ohio. In a recent communication enclosing his fees for membership in the Association he writes: "On account of a severe illness between three weeks and a month ago I have been forced to be absent from my office. I was a member of the law class of '99 and probably one of the oldest members of my class at that time."

—Vernon C. Ward, Jr., M. E. '03, is a busy man these days. He is contracting agent in structural bridge work in Chicago; but is never too much engaged to do his part in boosting Ohio State. In a recent letter to the Secretary he says:

"I am pleased to note from your favor of June 15th, that the writer has been elected to office of First Vice-President of the Ohio State University Association.

"This is indeed quite an honor, and one greatly appreciated. I hope that during my term of office I will be able to be of great assistance to you and to our new President in the work laid down and outlined for our Association.

"Now that Ohio State has been admitted to the Western Conference, I think my best services can be along the lines of boosting Ohio State interests in athletics in and around Chicago and would ask that this be kept in mind."

—C. W. Burkett, B. Sc. '95, editor of the American Agriculturist, New York City, writes as follows: "I had hoped to be out at the Commencement this year, but business made it impossible. I usually do get around the university two or three times a year and I yield to none in my love for good old Ohio State. I am proud of the regenerated spirit that has taken hold of things around the university." Mr. Burkett together with John F. Cunningham, Ag. '97, editor of the Ohio Farmer and Mark Francis, '87, professor of Veterinary Science in Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College, were elected to membership on the Board of Visitors of the Ohio State University for a period of five years, dating June 11, 1912.

—John R. Richards, football coach elect, has been lecturing to summer classes at the University of Wisconsin on the teaching of athletics and methods of coaching. He is now in correspondence with members of the football squad and is looking forward to next year's work with satisfaction.

—L. W. St. John, the new athletic director, made many friends at Ohio Wesleyan where he did commendable service in placing athletics on a high plane. In token of their appreciation students of O. W. U. presented him with a \$50 gold watch with an Ohio Wesleyan fob attached.

—Announcement comes that Lloyd T. Williams, A. '96, L. '00, member of the board of directors of the Association, and C. G. Cunningham, B. Ph. '01, are now members of the same law firm in Toledo. The firm will henceforth be known as Brown, Geddes, Schmettan, Williams & Cunningham. Mr. Cunningham is the newest member.

—Karl T. Webber, '97, was a Columbus delegate to the Republican national convention at Chicago, and was chosen a member of the resolutions committee. The choice was made in a caucus of the Ohio delegation. As Ohio member he was successful in getting into the platform approval of the Herrick plan of facilitating the borrowing of money by farmers. Mr. Webber is an enthusiastic Roosevelt man.

—H. S. Newton, A. '89, is manager of an inter-urban electric road at Milford, Connecticut.

¶ Among the Seniors

—Jacob A. Meckstroth, '12, is a reporter on the Dayton Journal.

—Robert J. Watson, A. '12, will enter the Harvard Law School next year.

—Glenn G. Hayes, Ag. '12, has joined the business staff of the Farm Press, Chicago.

—O. Stanley Roberts, A. '12, has entered the coal business in his home town, Jackson.

—G. R. Rinehart, Ag. '12, has gone to Kesirode, Va., to manage an estate of a wealthy New Yorker.

—J. G. Gilmore, A. '12, is connected with the United Engineering & Foundry Company, Pittsburgh.

—Blanche Watkins, A. '12, will teach Latin and English in the New Vienna (Ohio) High School next year.

—George A. Nesbitt, Ch. E. '12, has secured a position as chemist with Sears, Roebuck & Co., Chicago.

—Samuel R. Guard, Ag. '12, has accepted an invitation to become associate editor of The Breeders' Gazette, Chicago.

—C. C. Engle, A. '12, is to be an assistant in the Department of Soil Technology, Cornell University, next year.

—Wendell H. Abbott, E. E. '12, has taken a position with the General Electric Lamp Co., Harrison, West Virginia.

—C. M. Welch, E. '12, of Paulding, Ohio, on June 21st took a position with Westinghouse Electric Co. in Chicago.

—Willard M. Kiplinger, '12, editor of the Lantern during the past year, has joined the staff of the Ohio State Journal.

—Earl Boreland, A. '12, has entered the advertising business in Cleveland. He is editor of a house organ publication.

—Clyde Waugh, Ag. '12, has joined the staff of the Ohio Farmer, Cleveland, Ohio, of which John F. Cunningham, '97, is editor.

—W. L. Cozzens, A. '12, has been made one of the representatives of the American Book Company in the state of Indiana.

—Lucile Boner, D. S. '12, will take a postgraduate course at Grant Hospital, Columbus. She intends to become a professional nurse.

—Russell H. Kurtz, A. '12, has secured a position on the advertising staff of the Lazarus Company, men's and women's furnishings, Columbus, Ohio.

—Miss Josephine Matthews, '12, and Miss Catherine Creamer, '12, will undertake university

extension work in domestic science and agriculture throughout the state, iktang their positions this summer.

—Harold Reeder, A. '12, has been made one of the advertising solicitors for the Sears & Simpson Co., Columbus lithographers and printers. While in college Mr. Reeder made considerable money as owner of a neighborhood printery at his home.

¶ Engagements Announced

—Announcement is made of the engagement of Lloyd B. Edgerton, E. '09, now with the General Electric Company, Schenectady, N. Y., to Miss Hazel E. Miller of that city.

—A wedding of the fall is that of Gates C. Oblinger, L. '06, a young Dayton attorney and Miss Florence Sackett, Ex '05. Mr. Oblinger is a member of Alpha Tau Omega and Miss Sackett of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

—June is ordinarily regarded as the month of weddings; but it also chances to be a convenient season for announcing engagements. One event that will be interesting to the younger generation of Ohio State men is the news that George V. Sheridan, Ex A. '11, better known as Red, is to be married in November to Miss Eva Husband, of Cleveland, Ohio, a former student of the College for Women. A custom in vogue among the girls of Western Reserve is to announce their engagements at a "confession breakfast" during commencement week. Thus was this guarded secret made public. Mr. Sheridan is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and since college days has been engaged in newspaper and publicity work.

¶ June Weddings

—Harold Taggart, Ex '11, and Miss Marguerite Dougherty were married in Massillon, Ohio, in June.

—Miss Helen Tuttle Greenwood, A. '04, and George K. Elliott, of Cincinnati, were married in Columbus recently.

—Roy E. Linville, E. '08, a draftsman, and Miss Anna Norma Boham were married in Columbus recently.

—The marriage ceremony of Pat J. McAllister, Ex L. '13, and Miss Mary Catharine Fitzgerald was celebrated at Holy Rosary Church, Columbus, June 8.

—In the early days of June occurred the wedding of Lloyd T. Morris and Miss Alice Thacker, A. '06. Miss Thacker is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta.

—George Lyman Arms, Ex '09, of the Fairmont Mining Co., Fairmont, West Virginia, and Miss Lucie Elizabeth Shumacher were married June 25 in Columbus.

—Benjamin E. Jones, Ex '05, and Miss Blanche Leahy were married at the home of the bride in Plain City June 24. The wedding was a quiet one because of the recent death of Mrs. Jones' mother.

June Weddings

—A prettily appointed wedding took place in Columbus, June 11, when Dr. G. C. Armstrong, D. V. M. '11, and Miss Ruth L. Cowgill, Ex '13, were married. They will live at Lewiston, Ohio.

—Dr. Fred Zimmer, D. V. M. '09, member of Ohio State Live Stock Commission, and Miss Nellie Young, of Reynoldsburg (Ohio) were married recently. They will live in Williamsburg, Ohio.

—Earl H. Hedrick, a junior in veterinary medicine, was married June 12, in Chillicothe, to Miss Irene Jones, of Parkersburg, West Virginia. Mr. Hedrick expects to complete his course at Ohio State next year.

—Wilbur E. Beney, L. '10, an attorney in the offices of Vorys, Sater, Seymour & Pease, Columbus, and Miss Vera Coral Hults, of Galena, Ohio, were married June 23. They live at 164 East Maynard Avenue, Columbus.

—At the bride's home in Granville (Ohio) W. B. Field, Ex '11, was married to Miss Margie Fulkman, Ex '13, recently. They will live in Dayton, where Mr. Field is employed as an architect.

—Miss Helen Winshell Wolcott, A. '12, and James Nelson Helpbringer, M. E. in E. E. '11, head of the municipal light plant at Akron, Ohio, were married in Columbus June 25. Dr. W. O. Thompson read the marriage service.

—On the day of his graduation Frank A. Mickle, Eng. '12, was married to Miss Marie Shotwell, a student in the Department of Architecture, whose home is in Columbus. Mr. and Mrs. Mickle will spend some months in California.

—Amos Potts, Cer. E. '12, instructor in ceramics at the University, and Miss Eva Helen Chamberlin of Lima were married June 15. The bride has been a teacher of English and Literature in the Lima high school for the past four years.

—Miss Gladys Jones, A. '11, and C. H. Julian, L. '09, were married June 5 at the Broad Street Church of Christ, Columbus. Miss Martha Jones, A. '06, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Mrs. Julian is a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority.

—Another interesting wedding is that of Simeon Nash, A. '01, L. '04, attorney in the Ruggery building, Columbus, and Miss Myrtle Rose Thornton. The wedding took place late in June. Mr. Nash is Second Lieutenant Troop B, First Squadron Ohio Cavalry.

—Wooster, Ohio, was the scene of the wedding of Guy E. Van Sickle, A. '09, a fellow in chemistry, and Miss Helen Strong, an event of the closing weeks of June. Mrs. George Livingston, B. Sc. '10, a sister of the bride, was matron of honor.

—Sholto Moro Douglas, L. '07, prosecuting attorney of Pike County, Ohio, who made quite a reputation in fighting politicians and illegal voting in that county, and Miss Madge Somerville,

A. '12, were recently married in Toledo. Mr. Douglas is a member of Delta Chi and Mrs. Douglas of Pi Beta Phi.

—Many guests were present at the wedding of Robert Lester, A. '12, a wholesale and retail meat dealer in Springfield, Ohio, and Miss Ena Imelda Tenderson, solemnized in Columbus June 19. Mr. Lester is a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Frank Schuler, '08, a fraternity brother, connected with the Miami Woolen Mills at Hamilton, Ohio, was best man.

—Miss Ruth Coolidge Wilber, Ex. A. '12, only daughter of George Wilber, Union County representative in the legislature and prominent sheep raiser, was married Wednesday, June 26, to Mr. Edward Hakes Schriefer, Ex. '12, of Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. Schriefer is a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon and is the business agent of the Marietta Safe-Cabinet Co. The bride has always made her home in Marysville.

—Two former Ohio State students, James Dwight Mills, Ex '97, and Miss Mary F. Van Siever, Ex '02, surprised many of their friends June 12 by being married at the bride's home in Columbus. Only the immediate relatives were present.

—F. P. Schoedinger, A. '02, a funeral director of Columbus, and Miss Florence M. Peters, a graduate of Smith College, were married June 12 at the home of the bride's parents in Columbus. George Schoedinger, A. '06, was his brother's best man.

—A wedding of interest is that of Dr. P. Sanford Bailey, Ex '03, Tulane '09, and Miss Mary Louise Morse of Cleveland. Dr. Bailey has been a member of the medical staff of Charity Hospital, Cleveland for several years. His bride was a Cleveland teacher.

—Trinity Episcopal Church, Columbus, was the scene of a pretty wedding June 19 when Miss Harriet H. Glass, A. '06, became the wife of Osman Ellis Swartz, an attorney of Clarksburg, West Virginia. Miss Bertha Krauss, A. '92, was the maid of honor and the bride-elect's sister, Miss Melle Wilson Glass, A. '04, M. A. '05, was one of the bridesmaids.

—At the home of the bride in Columbus the wedding of William A. Martin, Ag. '05, to Miss Bessie Bell Shilling, D. S. '06, was solemnized June 22. Mr. Martin is a member of Alpha Gamma Rho and since graduation has been in business with his father in Kenton. Miss Shilling has been physical training director in Bessemer Park, South Chicago, for two years.

You and Your Friends

—J. D. Withgott, L. '07, is an attorney at Chillicothe, Ohio.

—E. R. Minns, Ag. '05, is connected with the Agricultural department of Cornell University.

—T. J. Hunsicker, B. A. '11, is assistant chemist for Illinois Steel Co., of Joliet.

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—Donald Geddes, E. '07, is superintendent of the Ohio River & Western Division of the Pennsylvania Lines at Zanesville, Ohio.

H. A. Schuler, E. '11, is located at 1011 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa., representing a Columbus, Ohio, manufacturing concern.

—S. N. Cook, E. '03, is engaged in mining activities in Fresnillo, Zac., Mexico. When at the University he was prominent in track athletics.

—J. W. Chaney, B. Ph. '02, Chicago, Ill., is a minister, teacher, missionary. For the summer address him at Chiquinula, Guatemala, C. A.

—W. C. Bryant, A. '02, is Governor of the Province of Nueva Vizcaya, Philippine Islands and is greatly interested in the work of the Association.

—Julius Theobald, Ex '97, is secretary and treasurer of the Pittsburg City Light & Power Co. He lives at 219 Summit St., Knoxville, Pennsylvania.

—Mrs. W. F. Lineberger, E. '64 (Florence E. Hite), writes that she lives at Torreon, Mexico, but between revolutions she makes her abode in California.

—F. P. Stump, Ag. '92, of Convoy, Ohio, farmer and stock raiser, attended the reunion of the class of '92.

—T. J. Davis, Cer. E. '00, is chief chemist for the Republic Iron & Steel Co., of Youngstown, Ohio.

—H. L. Hopwood, L. '07, is an attorney at Kenton, Ohio, and secretary of the Kenton Commercial Club.

—Felix A. Kuenzel, E. '08, is now employed at the Backhaus & Kuenzel Textile Co., of New Bremen, Ohio.

—A. D. Kilmer, C. E. '07, an active member of the Pittsburg Association, attended the reunion week activities.

—A. H. Borishorst, E. '11, is now employed as draftsman in the United States Engineer's office, Seattle, Washington.

—F. W. Kreiter, Ex E. '13, is deputy treasurer of Crawford County, Bucyrus, Ohio. He is a member of Sigma Nu.

—Raymond Cilley, M. E. '96, is now the designing engineer for the Electric Omnibus corporation of Brooklyn, N. Y.

—A. C. Fieldner, C. E. '05, President of the live Ohio State organization in Pittsburg, attended the Commencement exercises.

—C. R. King, E. '11, and C. A. Dean, E. '11, now employed in the research department of the Norton Co., Worcester, Massachusetts, plan to cruise up the New England coast as far as Bath, Maine, on their July vacation.

—J. G. Belknap, B. A. '07, who was formerly in the bond business in Cleveland, Ohio, is district manager for a Chicago Insurance Co., with offices in Columbus, Ohio.

—J. M. Garber, C. E. '97, is president of The Garber-Eler Co., engineers and contractors, Wabash Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa. His home address is Fifth Ave., Parnassus, Pa.

—Joseph P. Byers, Ex '79, at one time commandant at Ohio State, now commissioner of charities in New Jersey, was a recent guest of Captain George L. Converse of the University.

—Clayton C. Kohl, A. '01, of the Department of Education, Mount Holyoke College, sailed for Europe June 27, to be absent six months, spending his time in study and research.

—E. E. Boden, Ex '07, Law, city solicitor of Barbertown, Ohio, writes that owing to a recent injunction suit his salary has been held up for the past four months.

—D. T. Laylin, E. '05, is connected with the engineering department of Strong, Carlisle & Hammond Co., of Cleveland, Ohio, and is active in the Cleveland Ohio State organization.

—H. A. Levering, E. M. '10, better known as Cap and one of the best half milers that have ever left the University, was back for Alumni day. He is located down in the hills of West Virginia.

—J. W. Augspurger, Ex '08, is ranching in Wyoming. He is a brother to Eugene Augspurger, A. '06, president of the 1906 class, who died recently at his home in Middletown, Ohio.

—H. Lewis Bell, Ex '10, has recently accepted a position as draftsman with the Chicago Telephone Supply Co., manufacturers of the Briggs magneto for automobiles.

—A. T. Malm, E. '08, of the research department of the Norton Co., Worcester, Massachusetts, will spend his vacation among the Thousand Islands during the month of July.

—C. W. Fuller, E. M. '04, is in the employ of the San Toy Mining Co., in Mexico. He writes that F. E. Niding, E. '09, who was also with that company, has gone to Cleveland, Ohio.

—R. H. Morris, '01, is manager of the Jasper Park Collieries, Ltd., at Pocahontas, Alberta, a \$2,000,000 concern. Pocahontas is on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, 200 miles west of Edmonton.

—Charles E. Albright, Ex '96, who is a teacher at North High School, Columbus, Ohio, is spending the summer in Europe.

—R. W. Hoyer, B. A. '06, who helps to coach the teams on Ohio Field and sells life insurance incidentally, helped to sell more tickets for the Alumni Luncheon than there were plates to be served. Fat has an office in the Hartman Building, Columbus, Ohio.

You and Your Friends

L. W. Hager, Ex '01, who is in the mercantile business in Piqua, Ohio, has been elected president of the Piqua organization of State men and women. Mr. Hager has asked for a supply of application for membership blanks, which indicates that he is on the job.

—J. M. Rothwell, A. '07, who ran the Lantern and the 440-yard sprint equally well, is an executive member of the firm, Rothwell & Co., Inc., of Martinsburg, West Virginia, jobbers of orchard supplies.

—Miss Jane Shepard, Ex '12, extension secretary of the Columbus Young Women's Christian Association, had charge of the recreation work at the Lake Geneva (Wis.) conference of Y. W. C. A. workers and delegates. She has been the director of the Y. W. C. A. camp on the Olentangy during the first weeks of July.

—E. J. Halsema, E. '07, who has been in charge of the construction of a large government dam for the city of Cebu, Philippine Islands, arrived in this country about July 1st. After a visit to his old home, New Bremen, Ohio, Mr. Halsema will probably return to the Islands.

—C. E. Curran, of New Lexington, Ohio, who attended Ohio State 1908 and 1909, was graduated this year from Wabash College. He expects to pursue the study of chemistry at some other institution next year. He is a member of Kappa Sigma.

—At the Fourth of July celebration held at Westerville, Ohio, George L. Stoughton, L. '95, postmaster, orator and dispenser of law, made an address appropriate to the day. Mr. Stoughton officiated at the raising of the flag.

—Among the successful applicants in the state bar examination held recently is Miss Eloise W. Riddle, A. '10, LL.B. '12, who intends practicing law in Columbus. She declares she is not a woman suffragist, although she does advocate some of the principles of the equal suffrage cause.

—Mrs. Gertrude Fox Hess, Ex '90, who attended the University from 1884 to 1888, is assistant reference librarian in the Seattle Public Library, which position she has held since June, 1907. She is a graduate of the University of Illinois Library School.

—Miss Jeannette Eaton, M. A. '11, is state secretary of the Woman's Equal Suffrage League with headquarters in Columbus. She will have charge of the campaign work to be waged this fall in the interest of votes for women that such may be guaranteed by the proposed constitutional amendments.

—C. R. Swickard, Ex '93, has been one of the most enthusiastic workers in the membership campaign. His most recent acquisitions are the memberships of Messrs. Fred and Frank Hammond, graduates in law of the class of '01, who have offices in the New First National Bank Building, Columbus, Ohio, and who are engaged in real estate and colonizing.

—W. W. Wright, better known as Bill, Ex '12, passed the state bar examination. He was one of the best football players Ohio State has ever had. W. W. W. is located in Toledo, Ohio. He is a member of Delta Chi.

—J. B. Considine, D. V. M. '09, is located in Cleveland, Ohio. He is a member of the firm of Powell & Considine, veterinarians, located at 3302 W. 25th St. His partner, R. R. Powell, is a graduate of the veterinary college in '09 also. Both were present at the meeting of Ohio State men held in that city June 14.

—Mrs. E. L. Boyer, Ex '84, of Dayton, Ohio, who was Miss Alice Longstreth before her marriage in 1886, and who was enrolled in the University in 1880, attended the Commencement exercises and the graduation of her son, F. G. L. Boyer, a member of the Association.

—H. C. Dieterich, B. A. '05, who for the past year has been "rearing the tender thought" as principal of the High School at Ashtabula, Ohio, returned for reunion week. His brother, George C. Dieterich, A. '98, is superintendent of the schools at Piqua, Ohio, and is vice-president of the Piqua Ohio State Association.

—Fred B. Hagaman, Ex A. '06, who has been teaching in the department of industrial arts in the summer school, becomes the new director of non-academic work in the Terre Haute (Ind.) public schools. While a student at the University, Mr. Hagaman held track records in shot-put, high and low hurdles.

—Z. P. Metcalf, A. '07, is now located at West Raleigh, N. C., as entomologist of the Agricultural Experiment Station of North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. He writes that he received a commencement invitation from Jean P. Pratt, '06, a lost Ohio State alumnus, upon occasion of his graduation at Johns Hopkins in 1910.

—Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ogden are spending the summer at their cottage at Buckeye Lake, Ohio. Mr. Ogden was graduated in 1910, and is located in Columbus, Ohio, where he is president and general manager of the Central Ohio Equipment Co. He is a brother of Ellsworth Ogden, '05, factory engineer for Atlantic Terra Cotta Co., Tottenville, N. Y.

—James R. Marker, E. '04, a former football captain and all Ohio tackle, is state highway commissioner. His chief clerk is J. H. Tilton, A. '01, who was an all Ohio guard and a member of the team which tied Michigan in 1900. J. D. Thrower, V. '04, better known as Texas, and the man who succeeded Marker as football captain, is in Kansas City.

—'Way out in Roseburg, Oregon, C. D. Shoemaker, A. '04, L. '07, is wielding the sanctum shears as editor and proprietor of the Daily and Twice-a-Week News. He writes that he is sending out letters to all Ohio State alumni in Oregon and is doing his part to put the State organization on its feet. The old grads propose giving a big dinner in the fall.

¶ You and Your Friends

—Three Ohio State alumni, B. G. Lamme, E. '88, P. M. Lincoln, E. '92, A. H. McIntire, '98-'00, compose the publication committee of *The Electric Journal*, published in Pittsburgh. Mr. Lamme is chief engineer of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co., and Mr. Lincoln is general engineer. Mr. McIntire is the *Journal's* editor and manager.

—Benjamin T. Brooks, A. '06, graduate student and fellow in chemistry, 1906-1907, Ph. D., University of Göttingen (Germany), 1912, is now senior research chemist for the Gulf Refining Co., and professor of chemistry, University of Pittsburgh. He has written numerous articles for technical journals. Mr. Brooks is a member of the American Chemical Society, Deutschen Chemischen Gesellschaft, Delta Upsilon and Sigma Xi.

¶ Patriarch Jottings

—Patriarch H. B. Dick, Ex '83, is engineer of Maintenance of Way department of the Baltimore & Ohio, Cincinnati, Ohio.

—Patriarch C. E. Fowler, Ex '89, is president of the International Contract Co., of Seattle. His name appears in the *Who's Who of America*.

—Patriarch John H. Williams, Ex '78, of Urbana, Ohio, attended the Commencement exercises and related some sprightly reminiscences of the days when Ohio State was in its infancy. He recalled vividly the appearance of the north end of the city in the seventies. His sister, Miss Alice Williams, was a member of the faculty and attended the University from '73 to '75.

¶ Miscellaneous

—Born June 12 to Mr. and Mrs. George J. Medberry, of Columbus, a son. Pater Medberry is a State graduate in the law class of '06.

—The trustees of Antioch college have decided to install an agricultural department financed by personal effort. An attempt will be made to secure affiliation with Ohio State University.

—Ground has been broken for the construction of the new archeological building on the campus. Sixteen months will be required to complete the work.

—Mrs. Robert F. Griggs, '04, (Laura Tressel) is convalescing from a serious illness which kept her in Grant Hospital, Columbus, for four weeks. She underwent a delicate operation on the throat.

—William T. Pottenger, Ex '13, has been attending the University of Cincinnati for the past two years. He is manager of the University of Cincinnati football team for the coming season.

—Prof. Ross G. Purdy, Cer. E. '08, formerly of the Ceramics department at the University, has taken charge of the experimental laboratories of the Norton Co., of Worcester, Mass., manufacturers of emery wheels. Prof. Purdy was a former secretary of the Alumni Association and one of the men who helped to draw up the constitution for the Ohio State University Association.

—Frank Quigley, Ex. '12, has returned to Columbus from Washington, D. C., where he has been in a law office, incidentally finding time to take a degree at Georgetown University.

—Warm words of commendation have been called forth from alumni organizations and libraries throughout the United States concerning the recent publication of *Who's Who*, a merchantile and professional directory published by the association under the editorship of Miss Edith D. Cockins, '94. Acknowledgments have been received from Columbia University, the Western Reserve Historical Society, Oberlin and others.

—Two senatorial candidates, Frank E. Ruth, L. '04, and Charles A. Leach, L. '06, were nominated from the tenth senatorial district, comprising Franklin and Pickaway counties, by the Republicans in convention at Columbus the last week in June. Mr. Leach was co-editor of the *Ohio Encyclopedic Digest* 1906 and practiced law in Columbus, 1907-12. He acted as city solicitor in Columbus, 1910-11. Mr. Ruth is a practicing attorney, with offices in the Harrison building Columbus.

—"The first time I ever heard of Ohio State University was in a brief paragraph I found in an old encyclopedia five years ago. I am surprised that such a splendid university is not known more widely," commented C. L. Pepper of the Boston School of Technology, who spent several days at the University recently for the purpose of securing ideas for the new grounds being planned by the scientific school. Mr. Peppert said he had visited many campuses and had seen none so beautiful as that of Ohio State.

—L. H. Goddard, C. E. '92, now of the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station at Wooster, is chief of the department conducting farm management investigations and an agricultural survey of the state. Among other things, Mr. Goddard brought out the fact that according to statistics gathered by the state board of agriculture, there were abandoned churches—one at least in each of over 400 townships in the state—and that in many other places where churches had not been abandoned, the attendance had greatly fallen off.

—Arthur M. Schlesinger, A. '10, has been appointed instructor in political science in Ohio State University, and will take up the work next September. Mr. Schlesinger, who has just completed his second year at Columbia University, finished with high honors at Ohio State two years ago. At Columbia last year he won a fellowship valued at \$670. While there he was president of the Fellows Club, and won high recognition in his work. Mr. Schlesinger has found time for literary work, and has contributed to the Maryland Historical Magazine an article "Maryland's Share in the Last Inter-colonial War," the first installment of which appears in the June number. He is staying on in New York to do some research work in the New York Public library, but took some days off to attend the Baltimore convention. Mr. Schlesinger is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Delta Theta. His home address is Xenia, Ohio.

Letter and Comment

PRINT SKETCHES OF CANDIDATES.

To Executive Committee O. S. U. Alumni:

Permit me to suggest that in sending out ballots for officers a brief sketch of the life of each candidate since graduation be given. It is impossible that any of us be acquainted with all those proposed. I strongly disprove of political electioneering for particular candidates such as has been practiced this year, however well meant it may be.

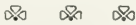
Respectfully,

E. O. FIPPIN, Ag. '00.



IS IT JUST?

IN A RECENT EDUCATIONAL magazine there is a terse criticism of the much-commended curriculum at the University of Wisconsin, which may, if it is just, be applied to any other institution. The article attacks our present plan of putting large numbers of freshmen and sophomores under the tutelage of Fellows, who are only "warmed-over and often unsuccessful high school teachers," returned to the university for graduate work, for fellowships, for advanced degrees, any excuse to bring back into educational surroundings a man or woman who has not made good and thinks the fault lies in his lack of training and not in himself. The head professors, the men trained for the work, are up in the clouds investigating, more sanctified than that, doing research work. Some day their names will appear on the title page of some profound volume—"By Prof. ———, M. A., Ph. D., Head of the Department of ———, University of Anywhere. Ample reward for any institution, ample restitution. But what of the freshman, what of the sophomore? What of Father's Money?"



DISGRACEFUL ALUMNI CELEBRATIONS.

Friend Warwick:

I remarked the other day that I wondered what had become of the Ohio State University Alumni Association of which I was a member. Apparently it is defunct. Soon after I graduated in 1905, I paid \$2.50 for a life membership in the Alumni Association and during the years immediately following I received a few communications. I have replied to all those requiring a reply. What is the reason you have lost track of my whereabouts? Where did you get the address I enclose?

I would like to return to the old campus at some future commencement season, but it is out of the question this year. Your description of the reunion week leads me to ask if the program includes any of the disgraceful features I have seen here when the alumni of Cornell University return. A few members come back here each year to make night hideous, and indulge in gross excesses for a day or two. They are the most prominent features of the alumni doings. If the present plan at Ohio State involves anything of that sort, I never want to be party to it. I hope the organization of your association means a decent and dignified feature of the commencement week. How is it?

Very truly yours,

EDWARD R. MINNS, Ag. '05.

THROW OPEN THE DOORS.

I feel that everybody that ever attended Ohio State should belong to the Association. There were, strange as it may seem and to my personal knowledge, men who were dropped at the end of the first term who feel as I do toward the Ohio State University, and there were many who for financial reasons at school or at home could not complete that first year and yet have every reason to love the old place. Many of this class remember the lack of funds and the difficulties they experienced, and have a desire some day to leave a fund at the disposal of the faculty for the use of other students as unfortunate as themselves.

So, if you will permit me, I would suggest that the limitation of a year be removed and changed to allow membership to any one who has ever been a student, no matter how short the time nor what the course, so long as the reason for his leaving the University was not some grave breach of morals that mature judgment cannot condone as a boyish prank or plain human nature.

Even when expelled for some minor misconduct many have a warm feeling for the school as a whole (that is the student body) even though the expelling authorities may not be so kindly remembered, but then, with the exception of a few members, the faculty is seldom considered as a real part of the school, rather as a necessary evil.

Since you have started to be broad, why not throw the doors wide open to every friend. We are all as loyal after a few weeks as though we had been there four years.

Very truly yours,

C. S. SLOUGH, Ex. '92,

Pharmacist U. S. Maine Hospital Service,
Pensacola, Fla.



THE UNIVERSITY AND THE MAN.

Editor Ohio State Monthly:

While traveling last summer, for I am a traveling man, I fell into conversation as travelers do with the man next me. He was telling me of his family. His boy had just graduated from a small town high school in the state and the father was planning for his college in the fall, weighing the advantages of our many Ohio colleges. As I was an Ohio State alumnus I naturally suggested my own college and was warm in its praises. To my surprise the father was unresponsive and cold. "All you say is true, he said, "all that about its growth, its teachers, its opportunities, its beautiful campus, its state appropriations and so on, but that's not where I intend to send my boy. I have seen too many Ohio State men at first hand, after they left college. We've had a number of them go from our town, young fellows who had been brought up well at home and after their return or during their vacations, they showed an influence which I didn't like. They had all gone to athletics and cigarettes and baggy pants and frat pins. They had no interest in the church nor in anything that seemed to me uplifting. Of course I know they may not all be that way, but the young fellows I've seen have been. One of last year's class came to our high school to teach and hung around the pool-rooms, smoked cigarettes and was never seen inside a church. No sir, I'm going to send my boy to some of the church schools. Narrowing atmosphere you say, not broad-minded, not liberal you say. Well, that may be, but a young fellow needs that kind of thing until his ways are formed."

E. M. H., '03.

OFFICIAL REPORTS TO THE ASSOCIATION

I submit the following report of all monies received as Treasurer of this Association up to and including June 1, 1912, together with a statement of disbursements to said date:

RECEIPTS.

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|---|-------------------|
| Received from J. D. Harlor, Treasurer of Ohio State University Alumni Association..... | \$123 23 |
| Received from Paul Fischer, Treasurer of the Special Finance Committee..... | 427 85 |
| Received from Edith D. Cockins, Secretary pro tem, Ohio State University Association..... | 1,894 80 |
| Received from H. S. Warwick, Secretary Ohio State University Association.. | 4,596 05 |
| Total | \$7,041 93 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

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| To Ohio Union, on account of State University Association luncheon, 1911..... | \$26 50 |
| To persons named and on account set forth in requisitions and vouchers numbered from 1 to 159 inclusive and which vouchers have been cashed..... | 3,739 91 |
| Total | \$3,766 41 |

Balance on hand June 1, 1912..... \$3,275 52
Deposited as follows:

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| West Side Bldg. & Loan Ass'n | \$96 73 |
| Ohio National Bank..... | 3,178 79 |
| Total | \$3,275 52 |

Requisitions approved upon vouchers have been issued up to June 1, 1912, but not cashed..... \$28 45

Actual cash in hand upon which requisitions and vouchers have not been issued June 1, 1912..... \$3,247 07

Respectfully submitted,
KARL T. WEBBER, Treas.

Final Report, 1911-12.

Columbus, Ohio, June 11, 1912.

To the Officers and Members of the Ohio State University Association:

Gentlemen—I have the honor of submitting to you the following statement concerning the activities of the Secretary of the Association, extending from the annual meeting of June 1, 1911, to the annual meeting of June 11, 1912.

FINANCIAL.

General Report.

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| Total Receipts collected by the Association | \$7,127 58 |
| Total Receipts from University..... | 3,318 02 |
| Total Receipts from all sources..... | \$10,445 60 |
| Total Expenditures by Association | \$4,865 46 |
| Total paid by the University for Association | 3,318 02 |
| Total Expenditures | \$8,183 48 |
| Total | \$2,262 12 |

Note: Voucher Checks 108, 114, 137 not turned in 2 50

Total Resources, June 11, 1912..... \$2,264 62

Itemized Report.

Receipts.

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|---|-------------------|
| Treasurer reported Sept. 1, 1911..... | \$524 58 |
| Receipts: Sept. 1, 1911, to June 11, 1912, inclusive: | |
| Subscriptions to Alumni Organization Fund | \$2,317 55 |
| Dues from members of former association (\$2.00).... | 1,058 00 |
| Dues from subscribers to organization fund (\$2.00) .. | 876 00 |
| Dues from members neither subscribers or members of the former association (\$3.00) | 2,295 00 |
| Additional classifications in Who's Who | 6 25 |
| Alumni Lantern extras..... | 6 50 |
| Single copies of Who's Who..... | 1 00 |
| Subscriptions to Ohio State University Quarterly ... | 35 00 |
| Miscellaneous | 7 70 |
| Total | \$6,603 00 |

\$7,127 58

Expenditures:

Salaries:

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|---|-------------------|
| To Miss Edith D. Cockins, Sec'y pro tem, Aug. 26 to Nov. 1, 1911..... | \$350 00 |
| To Miss Edith D. Cockins, Editor, Who's Who | 700 00 |
| To the Secretary, Nov. 1, 1911, to June 1, 1912 | 1,050 00 |
| To the Secretary (bonus) | 53 50 |
| To Ass't Secretary, Aug. 26, 1911, to June 1, 1912 | 687 50 |
| To Stenographer .. | 130 00 |
| To J. R. Taylor, Editor Ohio State University Quarterly, 1911-1912 .. | 100 00 |
| To Clerical Help: | |
| Engaged by Secretary for Dec. 1st and other membership campaigns .. | 317 71 |
| Engaged by Miss Cockins to assist in compiling Who's Who Directory .. | 157 00 |
| Total | \$3,545 81 |

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| Printing | \$507 30 |
| Postage | 237 90 |
| Office equip. (no equip. bought by Association) | |
| Office supplies | 49 60 |
| Traveling expenses .. | 26 85 |

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| Miscellaneous | 498 00 | |
| | | \$1,319 65 |
| | | \$ 4,865 46 |
| | | \$ 2,262 12 |
| Note: Voucher Checks 108, 114, 137, not cashed | 2 50 | |

Balance on hand June 11, 1912..... \$ 2,264 62
Expenditures Incurred by the Ohio State University Association, paid for by the Ohio State University.

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| Office equipment | \$ 326 53 | |
| Office supplies | 94 80 | |
| Postage | 485 00 | |
| Printing | 96 25 | |
| Miscellaneous (tele- phones) | 15 45 | |
| | | \$ 1,018 03..... |

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| Ohio State University Quarterly, 1911-12: | | |
| Printing and publish- ing | \$ 645 04 | |
| Cost of mailing (esti- mated) | 147 36 | |
| The Who's Who: Printing and publish- ing | 1,361 75 | |
| Cost of mailing (ap- proximate) | 145 84 | |
| | | \$ 2,299 99 |

Total \$ 3,318 02

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| Receipts Entitled Miscellaneous. | | |
| Exchange | \$ 0 45 | |
| Refund on S. J. Grosse's bond. | 2 50 | |
| H. C. Dieterich, 4 single copies Quarterly | 1 00 | |
| C. S. Martin, 15 single copies Quarterly | 3 75 | |
| | | \$ 7 70 |

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| Expenditures Entitled Miscellaneous. | | |
| Req. No. | | |
| 24—W. E. Langdon (expert accountant) | \$ 35 00 | |
| 80—C. H. Bancroft, bond for S. J. Grosse..... | 5 00 | |
| 81—J. G. Belknap, bond for Karl T. Webber..... | 10 00 | |
| 85—Homer C. Howard, bond for H. S. Warwick.... | 2 50 | |
| 82—U. S. Telephone Co. (Dec. 1st, Rally) | 14 95 | |
| 83—Lloyd T. Williams (Dec. 1st, Rally) | 27 50 | |
| 84—H. S. Dones (Dec. 1, Glee Club Exp. to Cincin- nati) | 18 00 | |
| 86—Central Union Tel. Co. (Dec. 1, Rally) | 65 | |
| 106-125—Refunds (classifica- tions in Who's Who).. | 6 00 | |
| 98, 100, 104—Refunds (inel- igibles) | 11 50 | |
| 137—Refund (L. B. Edgerton) | 2 00 | |
| 142—Panorama pic- ture | \$ 2 00 | |
| Framing pano- rama picture | 4 75 | |
| Telephone serv- ice (toll).. . . . | 36 | |
| Telegrams serv- ice | 59 | |

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| James Penn (drayage) | 50 | |
| | | 8 20 |
| 146—Refund (Ebenshade) .. | 2 50 | |
| 147—Refund (M. L. Cox)..... | 2 50 | |
| 162—Hiss Stamp Works.... | 2 45 | |
| 163—Geo. W. Bellows (Can- field portrait) | 236 00 | |
| 164—Baker Art Gallery..... | 3 25 | |
| 165—Ohio State Lantern.... | 100 00 | |
| 166—W. E. Langdon (expert accountant) | 10 00 | |
| | | \$ 498 00 |

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| MEMBERSHIP. | | |
| Members received by Miss Cockins, Secretary pro tem, from Aug. 26 to Nov. 1, 1911: | | |
| Members of former association..... | 146 | |
| Subscribers to organization fund.... | 113 | |
| New members at \$3.00..... | 34 | |
| | | 293 |

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| Members received by Secretary from Nov. 1, 1911, to June 11, 1912, in- clusive: | | |
| Members of former association..... | 383 | |
| Subscribers to organization fund... | 325 | |
| New members at \$3.00..... | 731 | |
| | | 1,439 |

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| | 1,732 | |
| Refunds to four ineligible..... | 4 | |

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| Total membership on June 11, 1912..... | 1,728 | |
| The membership is divided as follows: | | |
| Ex-student members | 328 | |
| Alumni members | 1,400 | |
| | | 1,728 |

It is interesting to note that of the 913 members of the former association, 529, slightly over half, are members of the new association.

Of the 943 subscribers to the Alumni Organization Fund, 438, slightly less than half, are members of the Association.

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| ALUMNI ORGANIZATION FUND. | | |
| Original subscription | \$ 7,067 00 | |
| Additional subscriptions before November 1, 1911 | \$ 31 50 | |
| Additional subscriptions from November 1, 1911, to June 11, 1912 | 15 25 | |
| | | 46 75 |

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| Subscriptions annulled because of death | \$ 23 00 | |
| Refunds made on account of in- eligibility | 12 00 | |
| Subscriptions which cannot be collected acct. of ineligibility | 115 50 | |
| Subscriptions repudiated | 5 00 | |
| | | \$ 155 50 |
| | | \$ 6,958 25 |

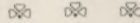
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| Collections made: | | |
| By Finance Committee | \$ 1,368 75 | |
| By Miss Edith D. Cockins.. | 1,274 70 | |
| By the Secretary..... | 1,043 10 | |
| | | \$ 3,686 55 |

Balance outstanding June 11, 1912... \$ 3,271 70

Respectfully submitted,
H. S. WARWICK, Secretary.

Approved by:
KARL T. WEBBER, Treasurer.

NEW AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION



Few negative votes were registered against the proposed amendments to the Constitution. The new amendments are printed beneath in black type, with old amendments subjoined.

ARTICLE X

Amendments

Sec. 1. Amendments to this Constitution may be proposed by means of a petition signed by not less than fifty members, or by means of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the entire membership of the Association, by letter, not less than sixty days prior to the annual meeting, and shall be voted upon by letter ballot. The ballots shall be opened and the result or the ballot announced at the annual meeting.

Sec. 2. An affirmative vote of three-quarters of the total votes cast, shall render an amendment effective.

Sec. 3. An amendment shall take effect at the annual meeting at which the ballot adopting it has been canvassed.

ARTICLE II

Membership

Sec. 2. The active membership shall consist of alumni, that is, persons holding degrees given in course by The Ohio State University; and of ex-students having to their credit the equivalent of thirty or more semester hours.

AMEND ARTICLE II, SEC. 2, TO READ:

"The active membership shall consist of the following:

(a). Alumni of the Ohio State University; that is, persons holding degrees given in course by the University. This shall include Alumni still at the University engaged in Post-graduate work, or otherwise.

(b). Ex-Students of the University having to their credit the equivalent of 30 or more semester hours, of which credit not less than 15 semester hours shall have resulted from work actually done at the University.

When a person who has been an Ex-Student returns to the University his membership in the Association shall be suspended until he shall again leave the University, either as an Ex-Student or an Alumnus, at which time his membership shall recommence and he shall receive the benefit of such portion of his paid dues as had not, expired at the time he re-entered the University."

ARTICLE IV

Sec. 5. There shall be elected from the active membership three to serve as members of the Athletic Board of the University, and one as member of the Board of Overseers of The Ohio Union.

Sec. 6. One of the Association representatives on the Athletic Board shall be elected each year to serve for a term of three years, provided the three

representatives elected by The Ohio State University Alumni Association serve the full period for which they were elected.

AMEND ARTICLE IV., SEC. 5, TO READ:

"There shall be elected from the active members of the Athletic Board of the University such members of Alumni representatives as is called for by the Constitution of the Athletic Board; and such number of active members of Alumni representatives on the Board of Overseers of the Ohio Union as is called for by the Constitution of the Ohio Union."

AMEND ARTICLE IV., SEC. 6, TO READ:

"If there be more than one Alumni representative on the Athletic Board such representatives shall be so elected that one will be elected each year, the others holding over. If there be more than one Alumni representative on the Board of Overseers of the Ohio Union, such representatives shall be so elected that one will be elected each year, the others holding over."

ARTICLE IX

Sec. 1. Each active member shall pay to the Treasurer of the Association an initiation fee of \$3.00 within a month after having been notified of his or her election, said initiation fee to cover all dues for the first year, and thereafter shall pay to the Secretary or Treasurer in advance an annual due determined by the Board of Directors not to exceed \$2.00 per annum. Provided, however, that persons who have become members of the Ohio State University Alumni Association by paying a life membership fee are ipso facto members under this Constitution, and shall be liable only for their annual dues.

AMEND ARTICLE IX., SEC. 1, TO READ:

"Each member shall pay to the Secretary, or Treasurer, of the Association a fee of \$3 within one month after having been notified, in response to application for membership, of his or her eligibility, such fee to cover the initiation fee and the annual dues for the first year; and thereafter shall pay to the Secretary, or Treasurer, in advance, the annual due, determined by the Board of Directors, not to exceed \$2 per annum; said annual due to cover his or her contribution to the activities of the Association and his or her annual subscription to such periodicals as the Association may issue on a subscription basis; the apportionment of the annual dues between Association activities and subscriptions to be such as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors. Provided, however, that persons who became members of the Ohio State University Alumni Association by paying a life-membership fee are ipso facto members under this Constitution and shall be liable only for their annual dues."

AMEND ARTICLE IX., SEC. 2:

By striking out the words "after the day of the Annual Meeting of the Association."

